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Israel sees U.S. against motion backing PLO

By DAVID LANDAU, Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel is confident that the U.S. would oppose any UN resolution which sympathized with the aims of the Palestine Liberation Organization. A highly-placed source in Jerusalem said yesterday that he was "quite sure," in the light of recent diplomatic contacts with Washington, that the U.S. would vote against such a resolution, though he could not say how many other leading Western states would follow suit.

Arab foreign ministers meeting in Cairo this week instructed the Arab League to cable the U.N. Secretary-General asking that "the Palestine issue" be included as a separate item on the General Assembly's agenda. They wanted the issue discussed "independently of the Middle East crisis" on which there may be a separate debate.

The highly-placed source said that in view of Israel's firmly-based confidence in U.S. intentions, the question of Palestinian moves at the UN would probably not figure overprominently in Prime Minister Rabin's talks with President Ford and Secretary Kissinger in Washington next week.

He tended to discount the theory that the U.S. might cite the Palestinian efforts at the U.N. as a means of persuading the Israeli Premier to plump for talks with Jordan rather than talks with Egypt as the next stage of the peace negotiations.

The U.S. has advanced this reasoning before. When they visited Israel in June, President Nixon and Dr. Kissinger argued that the longer Israeli vacillated the stronger the PLO became — and that therefore early talks with Jordan were to be favoured as an Israeli interest, as well as a Jordanian and a U.S. one.

Mr. Rabin himself, despite this argument, has until now favoured talks with Egypt as the most advantageous next step.

At any rate, the issue was sure to be settled one way or the other during the Premier's long and intensive talks in Washington, the source said. The Israel Cabinet has yet to define its position, and it is to hold a thorough review of the political and diplomatic options at its meeting on Sunday.

Arab tactics at the U.N. are by no means clear yet, another well placed source explained yesterday. Until yesterday, no word had yet come from New York of whether the Arab foreign ministers' decision to press for a special debate on the Palestine issue had in fact been translated into a formal request to Dr. Waldheim. Nor is it clear yet what type of resolution the Arabs will propose.

Some observers in Jerusalem feel they will prefer a vague formulation which would speak of "legitimate interests" or "just aspirations" — in order to avoid U.S. and Western opposition.

A resolution specifically recognizing the PLO as the sole representative of the Palestinian people might win an arithmetical majority — but the Arabs would not consider it a "respectable majority" unless it included the Western powers.

These observers pointed out, moreover, that even an arithmetical majority of Communist and non-aligned states could not be assured for a resolution which, in recognizing the PLO's claims, implicity abrogated the U.N. General Assembly's own historic resolution of November 1947 that called for an independent Jewish state in Palestine. The Soviet bloc and many Third World nations would think twice before lending their hands to such an implied abrogation, these observers believed.

They did not rule out, therefore, an Arab-U.S. consensus on a draft resolution vague enough to enable the U.S. to support it or else to abstain.

A watered-down resolution on the Palestine issue would not necessarily mean, however, that the PLO would fail to attain the observer status it seeks at the General Assembly. An application for this status could come in the form of a general proposal to award observer status to all freedom movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity and/or by the Arab League.

This has been the form used to obtain observer status for the PLO and for 12 African resistance groups on the World Health Organization and other U.N. bodies. The U.S. has not opposed this form of resolution on these bodies and would probably not oppose it at the General Assembly.

This year's U.N. General Assembly is likely to be the last at which Ambassador Yosef Tekoah represents Israel, it is reliably learned. Mr. Tekoah is due to wind up his tour of duty at the U.N. early in the New Year, after five years of service there.

Israeli soccer players, in white, during their game at the Asian Games in Teheran against the Philippines yesterday. Israel blanked the Philippines 6-0 after leading 5-0 at halftime. The Israelis from left are, Onana, Damti, Schwartz and Shum. (See story — Page 4)
(AP radiophoto)

C'ttee formed to aid jailed Bulgarian Jew

...mo Ben Yosef. (IPPA)

Jerusalem Post Reporter

...AVIV. — A public committee ...id Shlomo Ben Yosef, the Bul...an Jew who was recently sen...ed to 15 years on "spying" char... has been formed here.

...chie Barnea, who heads the ...mittee, reported that several ...r prominent Bulgarian Jews ...e arrested recently.

...r. Ben Yosef, chief engineer of ... Bulgarian Chemical Industries, ... arrested in Moscow airport ...n he arrived there on business. ... was returned to Sofia and tried ...mera. Ben Yosef is 54. His wife ... is also a chemical engineer.

...n Yosef's octogenarian mother ... in Israel, as does his sister Vic..., a pediatrician.

Beirut starts contacts, fears Israeli raids

POST Arab Affairs Correspondent

Lebanese President Suleiman Franjieh yesterday launched wide-ranging contacts with various governments throughout the world as fears were expressed in Beirut over a possible massive strike by Israel in retaliation to the recently renewed terrorist infiltration from southern Lebanon.

Beirut reports said that the Lebanese head of state has summoned a number of ambassadors and dispatched emissaries to others in an apparent bid to press for a diplomatic action against any future Israeli military move.

At the same time, Franjieh instructed Lebanese Foreign Minister Fuad Naffa, who has just chaired over an Arab League Council of Foreign Ministers in Cairo, to confer with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat on the tense situation along Lebanon's border with Israel.

By late last night no information on that meeting was diclosed. The Lebanese Foreign Minister was believed to be seeking Egypt's intervention over the repeated violation by the terrorists of agreements with Lebanon barring them from launching raids against Israel from Lebanese territory.

Egypt itself has been recently at odds with the terrorists, especially as the latter have spurned Cairo invitations to protest the July 18 Egyptian-Jordanian declaration depriving the terrorist-controlled Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) of the claim to representing Palestinians living in Jordan.

The main Lebanese concern appeared to be concentrated on the increased plight of southern Lebanese villagers and their protest against their government's failure to cope with the return of the terrorists to their areas.

Beirut's "Al-Liwa" newspaper yesterday said that Fatah chief Yasser Arafat has ordered "popular committees in Palestinian camps" in Lebanon to stand by in the face of a possible Israeli strike.

Quiet along the northern front

TEL AVIV. — The northern frontier was reported quiet yesterday for the first time this week. Army sources attribute this to the police actions taken on both sides of the border during the preceding days.

Observers here commented that Israeli forces are likely to exercise maximum restraint during the coming days, especially during the forthcoming trip of Prime Minister Rabin to the U.S., to avoid needless complications.

These observers are also alert to the fact that the terrorists and even Syria may try to create some incidents precisely for the same purpose.

Soldier buried

Turai Katriel Thau, 20, one of the two soldiers killed in the encounter with terrorists early Wednesday morning, was laid to rest in the military cemetery in Kiryat Shaul yesterday. The other soldier was Turai Hamid Rushan Kashani, 20, of Jerusalem.

Turai Thau was the son of the head of the Israel Advertisers Association and Mrs. Bronislav Thau of Kiryat Ono. They have an older son.

Kissinger sees Dinitz today on Rabin visit

By WOLF BLITZER

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger is due to meet this morning with Israel Ambassador Simcha Dinitz to review final details of next week's visit to Washington by Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Neither American nor Israeli officials here have yet officially announced Mr. Rabin's itinerary, but the White House is expected to release those details today.

Informed sources said that Mr. Rabin will arrive in Washington on Tuesday, and will be flown by helicopter directly to the White House lawn where he will be received by President Ford and other American officials. Mr. Rabin is expected to remain in Washington until Friday, when he travels to New York City.

In addition to his meetings with President Ford and Secretary Kissinger, Mr. Rabin will also hold talks with Secretary of Defence James Schlesinger, Secretary of the Treasury William Simon, several senators and congressmen, and American Jewish leaders. He will appear on Sunday, September 15, on NBC's "Meet the Press," but that programme might be taped on Saturday.

Mr. Rabin will be staying at Blair House, which is usually reserved for the President's official guests. It will be his first visit to Washington since becoming Prime Minister earlier this year.

Mr. Rabin, who served for more than five years as Israel's Ambassador in Washington, is no stranger to this city. He and Mrs. Rabin have many close friends there, and during his stay they are expected to renew many of their old friendships.

Ambassador Dinitz, who returned to work last Tuesday after suffering a stomach ulcer attack, will host a dinner on Wednesday night at his residence in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Rabin.

At today's Kissinger-Dinitz meeting, other issues — besides the Rabin visit — will be discussed, according to Israeli sources. Whenever Mr. Dinitz meets with Mr. Kissinger, they review U.S.-Israel relations and the two are certain to discuss recent diplomatic difficulties, some of which caused Israel to ask Washington for clarification.

Capucci may seek deal over charges

By ANAN SAFADI

...eek Catholic Archbishop Hilarion ...cci, who has been indicted for ...running, is likely to plead ...y "provided the prosecution ...s a number of charges," especial... those concerning his involvement ...tive sabotage on behalf of the ...h, church circles said yesterday.

...ey added that Msgr. Capucci's ...ce attorney, Aziz Shehadeh, was ...ently developing an offer for "a ... whereby his prelate client ...d plead guilty to carriage and ...ession of illegal weapons. The ...es expressed the opinion that the ... might shorten the legal proce...s against the Archbishop and ...t eventually facilitate his pos... deportation at an early date.

...gr. Capucci's plea has been set ...September 20.

...arriage and possession of illegal ...ons" is one of three counts with ...h the 49-year-old Syrian-born ...te has been indicted. Its ...mum penalty is 10 years in ...n. The other two counts are ...tainance of contact with foreign ...s, for which the maximum ...ty is 15 years; and performance ... service for an unlawful associa... whose top sentence is 10 years.

...e proposal to discuss "concrete ..." with the prosecution was ...d yesterday shortly after the ...ict Court in Jerusalem rejected ... Capucci's request for bail and ...ed him held in continued deten... until his trial. On turning down ...ail request, Judge Miriam Ben-... recommended that the pre-trial begin "at the earliest op...nity."

Judge Ben-Porat attributed her refusal of bail to the gravity of the charges he faced, in particular those which detailed his contacts with two top Fatah terrorist leaders for whom the prelate served as a courier in smuggling arms into Israel.

Mrs. Ben-Porat ruled that "bringing arms and explosives into the country and handing them over to saboteurs is too serious a matter" to allow Msgr. Capucci freedom.

"In this specific case the security of the public takes precedence over the sacred liberty of the individual," Judge Ben-Porat said.

Delivering her statement at the top floor of the Court building on Saladin street in the presence of Msgr. Capucci's attorney, she also rejected defence counsel's claim that the senior prelate had diplomatic immunity.

She said she could not accede to a demand for such immunity on the basis of the Vatican passport he held and the *visa de service* which the Israel Foreign Ministry had issued him.

The judge noted that all his passport showed was that he was born in Syria and that he was a citizen

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Russian threat in Mediterranean

The new commander of the U.S. 6th Fleet warned yesterday that Russia is posing an increasing threat in the Mediterranean.

"Today we can defend ourselves at any time and from any attack," Vice-Adm. Frederick Turner said at a change of command ceremony aboard the aircraft carrier Independence off Gaeta, Italy. "But I don't know about the future."

Iranian fencer runs his rival through

TEHERAN (AP). — The excitement of the men's sabre finals at the Asian Games turned into horror yesterday when an Iranian fencer ran through his Japanese opponent.

Kiyoshi Otsuka, 26, was stabbed in his right abdomen and immediately evacuated to a hospital. First reports said he was in fair condition.

Witnesses said Iranian fencer Manucher Shafahie and Otsuka were tied 2-2 when both attacked each other and the foible — or flexible part — of Shafahie's sabre snapped as it made contact. The rigid forte of the blade sank into Otsuka's right side and the crowd screamed in horror.

Shafahie reeled back without his sword as Otsuka clutched the protruding sword. The Iranian quickly pulled out the sword and Otsuka crumpled in pain. Women spectators cried and fainted as a medical team rushed to Otsuka's side and rushed him away by ambulance.

Ben-Natan, Giscard confer for first time

PARIS (Reuter). — Israel's Ambassador to France, Asher Ben-Natan, met last night with French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing at the Elysee Palace in their first meeting since the President took office earlier this year.

Speaking to reporters after his 50-minute meeting with the President, Ben-Natan said the talk was "friendly and useful." He said he was given the opportunity to explain Israel's policy and views on the situation in the Middle East, and that they discussed matters of inerest to both countries.

Asked if he discussed the lifting of the French embargo on arms supplies to the Middle East and the possibility of Israel buying arms from France, the Ambassador said he "had not come to the Elysee with a shopping bag."

As for any advantage that might accrue to Israel after the lifting of the embargo, Ben-Natan said it was still too early to tell, and everything depended on how the new French policy on arms supplies to the Middle East was implemented. All the same, he said, some advance was made since Israel could now consider purchasing arms in France.

Ben Natan was asked whether Israel needed French arms. He replied: "Israel needs arms from everywhere until such a day as we need them no more."

Asked if his visit opened a new chapter in French-Israel relations, the Ambassador said it opened up some hope for the future.

Brazil urges Israeli withdrawal

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP). — Brazil, once one of Israel's staunchest supporters, has taken a major step away from it by calling on it to leave occupied Arab lands and to recognize Palestinian rights.

The position of Latin America's largest country was stated by Foreign Minister Antonio Azeredo da Silveira in a speech welcoming the visiting Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister, Omar Sakkaf, on Wednesday night. Silveira said Brazil is concerned because world attention to the Middle East problem seems to focus only on the armed conflicts there.

"We believe that the departure from all territories subdued by force, and the recognition of the rights of the Palestinians, are fundamental components for any constructive treatment of the question. Objection to wars of conquest is a constant in Brazilian history," he said.

The president of the Brazilian Jewish Federation, Eliezer Burla, said yesterday that Silveira's speech was "another proof of the new pragmatism in the external policy of Brazil."

Rabin: Bid for sustained U.S. aid

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin declared yesterday that one purpose of his forthcoming visit to Washington was to ensure the continuation of U.S. aid which was already five-fold that provided before the Yom Kippur War. This would be difficult considering American economic problems, he pointed out.

Addressing the local leadership of the World Union of North African Jews here, the Prime Minister reiterated his call for a revolution in social attitudes and work practices to enable the nation to face the future tests.

He warned of a tough period ahead of Israel. Despite the disengagement agreements the state of war still existed as did threats of a renewed conflict. "I can hardly prophesy when another war will break out. The lesson of the Yom Kippur War is not to be over-optimistic and to be prepared for the worst. Being ready for war involves unprecedented efforts to arm the defence forces and this entails necessary political measures," Mr. Rabin said.

Speaking of Israel's huge defence burden, the Prime Minister noted it now took double the share of the Gross National Product devoted to defence spending before the war. The increased defence burden involved enlarging the regular army and imposing longer terms of reserve duty. There was no alternative to utilising the maximum of Israel's meagre resources in order to consolidate Israel's social and economic structure so as to be ready for peace or war. Mr. Rabin stated, "An end must be put to easy enrichment and all of us have to work harder and produce more."

The prime task was to bring home to all Israelis the gravity of the situation as this nation of three million faces 80 million Arabs enjoying vast resources. "The smell of Arab oil envelops the world," he added.

The Prime Minister was anxious for a continuous dialogue with all

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Intensive weekend consultations

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mr. Rabin and his senior advisers are holding intensive consultations over the weekend in preparation for his visit to Washington next week. The Cabinet on Sunday will hold a wide-ranging review of Israel policy in advance of the Premier's departure.

Sees prisoners' relatives

Prime Minister Rabin promised relatives of Prisoners of Zion in the Soviet Union, who called on him yesterday, that he would do his utmost during his visit to Washington for the release of the detainees. The delegation handed him a memorandum detailing the inhuman conditions under which the prisoners were held.

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Safad	35	16—25	16—27
Haifa Port	46	24—29	24—29
Tiberias	—	19—36	18—36
Nazareth	—	18—30	18—30
Afula	30	18—31	18—32
Shomron	33	18—27	18—28
Tel Aviv	52	21—29	21—29
B-G Airport	30	19—31	19—32
Jericho	29	20—36	20—37
Gaza	68	20—30	21—30
Beersheba	28	17—31	17—32
Eilat	18	23—36	24—36
Tiran Straits	28	25—34	25—35

Social and Personal

The President, Prof. Ephraim Katzir, yesterday received at Beit Hanassi Mrs. Mabel Byer, who financed the construction of the Mevasseret Yerushalayim Absorption Centre, and Lord Janner.

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Lord Janner yesterday called on Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin at his office in Jerusalem.

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The Esther Flexner Glasser Memorial Visiting Professorship at the Hebrew University was inaugurated yesterday at the Medical School in Ein Kerem in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua B. Glasser of Sarasota, Florida.

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Yoram Peri, Labour Party spokesman, has been appointed the party's representative in Europe and with the Socialist International Executive Bureau. He will be based in London. He succeeds Israel Gat who becomes director of the Labour Party International Department.

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An Oneg Shabbat forum will be held, in English, at Hechal Shlomo, Jerusalem, at 9.30 this evening. The speakers will be Rabbi Ben-Zion Lapian, and Mr. Eitan Rupin of the Foreign Ministry. Cantor Arye Goldberg will conduct the Zmirot. The Melave Malka programme will take place tomorrow, at 9 p.m., at Hechal Shlomo. Mr. David Ramin of the Foreign Ministry will speak. Cantor Yehuda Lendner will provide the musical programme. A film will be shown. The public is invited.

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Philip Levine, M.D., F.R.C.P., Director Emeritus, Division of Immunohaematology, Ortho Research Foundation, Raritan, New Jersey, is to lecture on "Rh and ABO Hemolytic Disease Based on Red Cell Membrane and Non-Membrane Antigens" on Sunday, September 8, 1974, at 11.00 a.m., in Hall "Heh," Ground floor, at the Hebrew University Medical School, Ein Kerem, Jerusalem.

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MARRIAGE

ZVIELLI-SAGHER — The wedding of Daphna, daughter of Dana and Alexander Zvielli, and Uri, son of Ruth and Felix Sagher, took place on Tuesday, September 3, 1974, in Jerusalem.

A 10,000-tree wood was dedicated on September 1, in the Jerusalem Hills, near Ein Kerem, in memory of Samal Gili (Gilad) Barzilai who fell during the Yom Kippur War, in defence of the Golan Heights. The ceremony, arranged by the Jewish National Fund, was attended by members of the family, which donated the wood, and by comrades from the Army, Scout leaders and children from the troop of which Gili had been scoutmaster. A tree was also planted in memory of Gili's commander, and 25 trees were planted in memory of the other soldiers in his unit who died in the war. *(Communicated)*

2 TODDLERS DIE IN BLAZE

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NETANYA. — Two toddlers, aged three-and-a-half and one-and-a-half, died when the hut they were sleeping in burned down around midnight Wednesday.

The hut was in the yard of Muhammad Abu Jerad's home about two kilometres east of the Kfar Yona junction. Abu Jerad and his wife were watching a film at nearby Kfar Yona when the fire broke out. The hut was razed to the ground, and all firemen could do was retrieve the bodies of their two children.

Police investigating the incident have not ruled out the possibility of arson.

Three die on roads

Jerusalem Post Staff

KFAR YONA. — A local woman, Hava Hava, 63, was killed outside the bus station here yesterday while trying to get off a bus. The bus moved suddenly and the woman lost her balance, falling under the rear wheels of the moving vehicle. She was killed instantly.

In Haifa's Sprinzak quarter, seven-year-old Eyal Paz was run over and killed by a commercial van which was travelling along the one-way street in the wrong direction.

On the highway between Nahalal and Tel Adashim, Mohamed Abdel Fatah Ajbariye, 56, was killed when the pickup in which he was riding, slammed into the tail-end of a truck loaded with rock.

A two-year-old infant from Moshav Mivtahim, Shmuel Amnon, died early yesterday morning in the Beersheba Hospital. He had been knocked down by a car on Wednesday.

In the Gaza Hospital, a cyclist from the Jebalya refugee camp, Abdel Rahman el-Aroubi, 40, died on Wednesday from injuries he sustained when run over by car earlier in the week.

'Souvenir' explodes in airport

B-G AIRPORT. — Security forces went on the alert here when a thunderflash, carried as a souvenir by a returning Canadian volunteer, exploded early yesterday morning.

The blast slightly injured a soldier who was accompanying the volunteer, from Kibbutz Ramot in the Golan Heights. The police questioned both men and eventually allowed the 22-year-old Canadian, whose name was not disclosed, to go on his way.

In addition to the thunderflash, his "souvenirs" included spent cartridges magazines and a delayed hand grenade, all carried in his hand. An airport security man said he would not have got past the security check.

Other passengers in the nearly empty terminal said that the Canadian, who was dressed in a suit, had appeared calm before the blast. *(Itim)*

ARRIVALS

The Ambassador of Finland and doyen of the diplomatic corps, Aigar von Heiroth, from two months' home leave (by Swissair).

DEPARTURES

Dr. Yosef Burg, M.K., on a speaking tour of Venezuela for the Israel Emergency Appeal and the Sha'are Zedek hospital.

Knesset Members Ari Ankorion (Alignment) and Avraham Shechterman (Likud) for Dublin, to attend the political committee of the Council of Europe (by El Al).

Actor Raymond Burr receives the adulation of a disabled ex-serviceman at Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem yesterday. As Chief Ironside, Mr. Burr plays the part of a police detective who is confined to a wheelchair. (Braun)

Rabin-NRP talks on Sunday about 'Who's a Jew' move

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin will open talks formally with the NRP on Sunday about a return to the Government coalition, but the NRP will probably discuss the proposal in a week's time after Knesset Member Yosef Burg, the former Interior Minister, gets back from abroad.

Rabin still has to meet with the Mapan wing of the Alignment, and coalition partners ILP and CRM.

While majorities emerge in the ILP and Mapam for this proposal, the CRM is bitterly opposed. CRM's head, Minister without Portfolio Shulamit Aloni, has already threatened to walk out of the coalition if the formula is adopted. She told this reporter yesterday: "I know as a fact that as of today clerks at the Interior Ministry are not registering immigrant converts." Mrs. Aloni regarded the proposal as institutionalizing discrimination against the Reform and Conservative movements.

The two ILP Cabinet Ministers have asked Premier Rabin to amend his new "Who's a Jew" proposal for a moratorium on registration of religion and nationality for a 12 months' period so that all immigrants, and not only converts to Judaism, leave these two categories blank.

In a meeting this week with Tourism Minister Moshe Kol and Minister without Portfolio Gideon Hausner, Premier Rabin reportedly promised that the Committee of Ministers to discuss the "Who's a Jew" complex would complete its work within 12 months. If the Committee fails to reach a decision, the registration of religion and nationality will be carried out according to the preesnt law, and the 12 months will not be extended, Rabin promised.

Kol told *The Jerusalem Post* that the moratorium as proposed by Rabin, covering non-registration of converts only, was less discriminatory than the previous "from generation to generation" formula originally fathered by Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren and later disowned. If Orthodox as well as Conservative and Reform converts were not registered for 12 months, this put all streams of Judaism on an equal level — for the first time.

Kol rapped Reform Rabbi Richard Hirsch over the knuckles for his attack on Premier Rabin's moratorium proposal. Rabbi Hirsch, secretary of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, had cracked Reform Jewry's traditional front here with the Conservative movement, Kol said. He should think twice before echoing the Civil Rights Movement line, Kol urged.

The ILP Minister said that the Alignment had not yet submitted the Rabin moratorium proposal to his party.

The two ILP Ministers, and Knesset faction chairman Yehuda Sha'ari, are said to favour the Rabin proposal. Hillel Seidel, MK, and the ILP young guard are against it, while the main body of the ILP has not yet taken a stand.

Kol told *The Post* that Premier Rabin gave him an assurance that the NRP's possible entry into the Coalition would not impede eventual negotiations with Jordan.

Lone saboteur gets 18 years

RAMALLAH. — Tabab Rushdi el-Alami, a villager from Beit Immar, near Hebron, was sentenced to 18 years imprisonment in the military court here yesterday for firing bazooka rockets at Kfar Etzion, and other acts of sabotage in the area.

El-Alami, who was active between 1969 and 1971, worked alone, the military prosecutor said.

Longer terms for attack on soldier

The Supreme Court yesterday increased the sentence of five young Arabs who attacked a hitchhiking soldier last year and wrested his weapon from him.

The five fell upon the soldier, Shabtai Hirschberg, as he stood on the road to Ramallah in Shuafat, East Jerusalem. One of them, Rassen Ibn-Ali Omar, stabbed him with a knife.

The court increased Rassem's term from five years to seven years and a three year suspended sentence. It added suspended sentences to the terms of the other prisoners, all imposed by the Jerusalem District Court in January. *(Itim)*

Russian directs Greek play in Arabic

HAIFA. — A Soviet immigrant whose only language is Russian, has recently finished directing a play in Arabic here.

The immigrant, Yuri Celiuk, who worked as a theatrical director in the USSR, directed the play by a contemporary Greek playwright, George Theokatis, for the Gefen Theatre. The theatre was organized by the Jewish-Arab Beit Gefen cultural centre here.

The seven actors and two actresses taking part in the production are all veterans of the professional stage. They hope to play throughout the country, including the Golan Heights and Sinai. (Itim)

Rumanian F.M. due on Monday

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Rumanian Foreign Minister George Macovescu is due on Monday for a four-day official visit as the guest of Foreign Minister Yigal Allon, it was announced in Jerusalem yesterday.

Knowledgeable sources said that Mr. Macovescu would be meeting with Premier Rabin before the Premier leaves for his Washington visit.

Real effort planned to raise productivity

By MORDECHAI ERANN
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

It is time to tackle the problem of productivity with deeds, not just words, — this was the gist of the first meeting yesterday of the Committee on Economic Productivity and Efficiency, headed by Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz.

The committee, includes the top economic figures of the country — the Ministers of Finance, Commerce and Industry, Labour and Transport; the Histadrut secretary-general and the head of its Hevrat Ovdim holding company; and heads of the Co-ordinating Bureau of Economic Organizations, which incorporates the employers.

It asked Dr. Israel Meidan, director of the Productivity Institute, to head a professional team which will prepare a memorandum proposing practical steps, on which the committee can take action. The memorandum is to be presented to the committee at its next meeting, in about two weeks.

The committee plans to act in three areas: it will examine ways in which labour, management and government can work together to improve productivity; it will r the present policies and pra which obstruct such improve and suggest changes in them it will look for ways — other just propaganda — to educat public on the importance o creasing productivity.

Commerce and Industry M Haim Bar-Lev said earlier week that improvement in p tivity depends not only on w doing more, but also on management and up-to-date ment. Each of the three, by contributes only marginally try, he said, will be asked to a maximum effort to do its in this respect — while the ernment will assist those w show improvement, and a periencing problems at pres

On the other hand, c which are on "the edge of th cipice," and cannot be mad cient, are better off elim This will become ever more tant in the future, when i will have to withstand great petition, make do with profits, yet maintain and i its export output.

(Price control — Page 10)

NEWSBRIEFS

CURRENCY IN circulation rose this week by IL46,197,655 to stand at about IL3,115m., of which IL195m. was backed by gold and the rest by foreign currency reserves.

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A FIRE BROKE out in Tel Aviv's Bilu chocolate factory, Rehov Hacongress, early yesterday morning, causing damage estimated at tens of thousands of pounds. Firemen took four hours to bring the blaze in the five-floor building under control.

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THE RISHON LEZION Municipality has set up a committee to find out how to get rid of the billboards that constitute "visual pollution," a city spokesman said yesterday. The worst offenders are reportedly the building contractors, who put up their signs at building sites and at the entrances to the city.

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THE BAN on the printing or sending of Rosh Hashana cards at state expense by Government employees has been reaffirmed by the Civil Service Commissioner. Excluded from the ban are greetings sent ex officio to persons or institutions abroad, or to diplomatic missions and offices of international organizations in Israel.

THE COMING YEAR 57 been proclaimed Rabbi Yeh levi year by the Religious Ministry, to mark the 900t versary of the birth of the poet and philosopher.

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Justice and Religious Affairs Minister Haim Zadok, meeting with the Ashkenazi chief rabbi of Yedidia Frankel (right) and the Sefardi, David Levi.

Zadok denies Batei Din more pov

TEL AVIV. — Justice and Religious Affairs Minister Haim Zadok yesterday poured cold water on the demand of the Tel Aviv chief rabbis to give rabbinical courts wider powers.

The current political climate in Israel makes this impossible, the Minister said, while promising he would examine another rabbinical demand — to put "teeth" into their judgments.

Zadok replied to protests by one rabbi present, about press criticism of the Batei Din, by stressing that the rabbinical court system was not taboo and criticism of it was quite legitimate, within the limits of contempt of court.

Ashkenazi chief rabbi Yedidia Frankel said that conver cesses were proceeding a able pace. Sefardi chief r Haim Levi said the Sta establish more courses f be converts to study Jud

Zadok announced that Ulpan for conversions w after the High Holidays that the Dayanim App Committee would soon more rabbinical court ju

London publishers may close Jerusalem house

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Weidenfeld and Nicolson Jerusalem Ltd., the wholly-owned subsidiary of London publisher George Weidenfeld and Nicolson, may soon be phasing out its activities in Israel.

In a statement issued to the press this week, the local firm announced an "important change in management structure." It said the chairman of the parent firm, Sir George Weidenfeld, has decided that control of the local company's affairs should be assumed directly from London headquarters.

Christopher Falkus, managing director of the London office, said in Jerusalem that production of Weidenfeld and Nicolson books in Israel would continue only on an economic basis. Other company sources said this means that by January, Weidenfeld and Nicolson Jerusalem would in effect cease to exist as a publishing house, though editorial and sales offices will probably be maintained here.

The local managing director, Asher Weill, has resigned but remains a director of the company. A veteran of the book publishing business in Israel, chairman of the Economic Conference's Printing and Publishing Committee and head of the Export Institute's Printing and Publishing Centre, he told *The Jerusalem Post* "books and book publishing are in my blood, and I will probably remain active in this field."

According to Mr. Weill, Weidenfeld and Nicolson Jerusalem's difficulties — strictly economic — are a direct result of the Yom Kippur War. With many authors, editors and production workers called up, publishing schedules were severely upset, and publication dates had to be carried over into the next year, which led to financial losses.

All this caused a "liquidity crisis" within the company. Mr. Weill, although an avid promoter of the local publishing business, admits that Israel's advantage as a low-price printing centre has eroded — despite the higher export premium now being granted local publishers by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

He disclosed that all of the local company's Hebrew-language assets — inventories, rights and other properties — have been sold, and locally-initiated English works will be handled at the London office.

He told *The Post* last night: "While I appreciate the economic circumstances that led to Sir George's decision, I feel saddened that the board did not choose to help the Israel subsidiary tide itself over for the coming year. I am sure we would have shown a profit, just as we did every year except 1973, the war year."

Jerusalem Deputy Mayor Meron Benvenisti told reporters yesterday that he has claimed IL100,000 in damages from Weidenfeld and Nicolson Jerusalem. He said the company, which last year published (in Hebrew) his book *The Torn City* was to have published an English translation too. But this week, he said, he was informed there would be no English version.

ISRAEL POLICE

The Israel Police requests the assistance of the public in its endeavours to find a missing person:

GOREN AGESTAD, father's name, Baris who arrived in Israel from Sweden on August 20, 1974, since when his whereabouts are unknown.

Description: age 27, height 170 cm., build medium, face long, complexion light, hair blond, eyes green, nose snub, lips thin. Speaks Swedish and English.

Anyone who knows his whereabouts or has seen him since August 20, 1974, is asked to inform the National Command, Missing Persons' Department, via the nearest Police Station.

Schroeder hopes for Mideast coexistence

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Gerhard Schroeder, chairman of the Bundestag Foreign Affairs Committee, has not lost hope that the present "war of nerves" could give way to a "fruitful co-existence" between Israel and its neighbours. Mr. Schroeder spoke to the press yesterday towards the end of a visit which members of his committee paid here at the invitation of the Foreign Ministry. The delegation will visit President Tito of Yugoslavia before returning home on Sunday.

Asked whether co-existence in the Middle East was supported by the Soviet Union, Schroeder said: "There are points of agreement which could be achieved, notwithstanding Soviet opinions or interests. It si important that all parties realize that not all objectives can be achieved."

The Bundestag would ratify "within a few months" the pact on trying Nazis for war crimes committed in France, he believed.

Federal Germay showed "a basically favourable attitude" on the shipment of arms to Israel during the Yom Kippur war, Schroeder said. The "Bremen incident," when an Israel flag vessel with a military cargo was temporarily stopped from sailing three days after the cease-fire came into operation, was "an unfortunate exception."

Toilet-cleaning course for airport janitors

B-G AIRPORT. — Janitors at the terminal here yesterday received their first lesson in hygiene and cleaning techniques.

Worried by — as one airport official put it — "the dirty and smelly impression made by the terminal," the management called in a team of experts to teach the janitors how to use the cleaning materials and modern equipment at their disposal.

The official said that he hoped the long-overdue course would impart to the terminal — particularly the toilets — an aesthetic, gleaming, hygienic and pleasing appearance." *(Itim)*

To study ways of rescuing local councils

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A joint committee of Government and municipal representatives is to study ways of alleviating the tight financial squeeze in which the local authorities find themselves.

This is the first result of yesterday's meeting between Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz and Interior Minister Shlomo Hillel, and representatives of the Union of Local Authorities.

Another committee will be set up to probe longer-range solutions. The authorities will be asked to submit a detailed plan for revenue sharing with the Government. The cities are reported to be demanding that 2.5 percent of the projected Added Value Tax revenue be set aside for the local authorities.

PAYIS WINNERS

The IL250,000 grand prizes in the Mifal Hapayis lottery were drawn yesterday by tickets No. 301906 and 435561. Without flash draw, they win IL150,000.

No. 682901 won IL50,000.

Nos. 067736 and 648764 won IL12,500.

Nos. 080691 083873 620883 and 639661 won IL6,250.

Tickets ending in "7" won IL6 and without flash draw IL4.

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lann rivate eyes brought in ictiv to solve port thefts

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — A private detective cy has started to investigate spate of robberies from the try's ports.

mong the recent robberies have two consignments of Parker — one, of gold-plated pens th about IL60,000 and the other th about IL25,000.

lthough officials of the Ports hority and Ashdod Port were available yesterday to answer tions, it was reliably learned they are worried about the ent situation, and it seems that inability of the police to cope this led to the hiring of the ate investigators.

police officer told *The Jerusa- Post*, that "investigating s in the ports is no easy er." Concerning the empty of gold-plated Parker pens, he that it is not yet certain that theft occurred in Israel.

ust the same," he said, "we performing a full-scale inves- ion into the matter," adding no arrests had yet been made is case.

e officer pointed out that the e had been more successful in ng with the theft from Ash- Port about a month ago of 16 of raw material for the plastics stry, worth more than IL200,00. police eventually found part e stolen raw material — some tons — at a small plastics in Holon. Twelve persons, of whom worked as part of a ring stealing from the port and selling the goods to a local industrialist, have already been arrested, including several port workers.

Importers have also been complaining that police are not cracking down on the "sailor's markets" where, they claim, stolen and contraband goods are sold. Mr. Avram Eliahu — who imported the stolen Parker pens — said that when he complained about this to the police, a police officer replied: "There are still prostitutes in Rehov Ben Yehuda, and we have not solved this problem yet."

According to the importers, the police seem to shut an eye to the "sailor's markets" because this is one way to rehabilitate people with police records. It has also been alleged that when the police tried to crack down on these markets in the past, the crime rate usually rose. Furthermore, the police are alleged to favour the continued existence of the markets so that they can trace stolen goods more easily.

A police spokesman disclaimed these accusations, noting that nearly all the "sailor's markets" sell bona fide merchandise — usually with all duty paid. Concerning the people who run the stalls, the police officer claimed that the majority of them do not have police records, and those that do are usually not so young today — "so I would not say that they would have a significant influence on the crime rate," he said.

T.A. market clean-up over butchers' objections

Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — Police reinforce- s will help municipal inspectors e that the Carmel and Hatikva ter markets will get a pre- ay rinsing despite strenuous ob- ns from butchers there. The -up is scheduled for this week- and will mean the markets' re on Sunday.

e meat stall-holders say that would rather keep the market for a few more days than a day of business just now. argue that the pre-holiday n is their best throughout the some have even threatened to here on Sunday to make sure no one lifts a broom on the nent in front of their stalls.

contrast, the fruit vendors are rting the clean-up: they have d to remove their stands from oad and sidewalks to allow the removal of refuse which is usually hard to get at and which eventually cakes into the asphalt if not scooped out in time. They will also repair and paint their stands.

This is Mayor Shlomo Lahat's second thorough market purge since he took office last winter. Just before last Pessah, the Carmel Market was given the first basic clean-up it had had in the last 30 years. Now the mayor has decided that the market is due for another scrubbing before the fifth returns to its original level.

Potholes in the roads will be repaired and, where necessary, repairs will be carried out on sewage mains. The fire department will provide high-pressure water cannons to give the market streets a thorough dousing.

The market will be closed from 6.00 p.m. this Friday to four o'clock Monday morning.

Injured welder seeking 1.7m. from Nesher Cement

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A. — A IL1.7m. compensation against the Nesher Cement any was filed in the District t here yesterday by the family worker, Benyamin Cohen, 33. compensation is sought for the of Cohen's sight and perma- disability, and for the loss of wife's incomes, allegedly as the t of an accident at the com-

wyer Reuven Cheyne claims in suit that Cohen, a top-grade r, had worked for Nesher less a fortnight when the accident ned. He was instructed to a puncture in a steel pipe gh which hot cement was g. The suff claims that Cohen not warned by any individuals ns to stop the flow of cement, that he had just started to up the faulty section when it and hot cement blew into ace.

suit further claims that there no first aid provisions within and that no one helped the d man. The suit also states because none of the company ook him to a hospital, he had it half an hour before a taxi d to take him for treatment.

ording to the suit, the acci- happened on March 4 and Co- vas discharged from the hos- on April 1, blind in his right nd with his vision so badly red in the left that he is no able to work. The suit said doctors told Cohen he was in r of losing the sight in the ye.

lawyer is seeking compensa- or Cohen's loss of income as welder up to the age of 65, r 10 additional years, because the average life span in Is- he is likely to reach age 75 in retirement, drawing a pension of 70 per cent of his last monthly earnings. The lawyer also seeks compensation for the allowance due the Cohen's two children, the benefits of company-subsidized meals, the annual holiday allowance, and the 2.7 per cent contribution of the company towards Histadrut dues.

Furthermore, the suit claims that Mrs. Cohen, also a wage earner, has had to quit her job in order to take care of her husband.

Woman stabbed to death in bed; husband held

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Police found a 24-year-old Kiryat Nahum woman stabbed to death in her bed shortly after her husband had appeared at the Zevulun Police Station at midnight Wednesday and told the officer on duty that he had murdered his wife.

The 29-year-old husband — who the police spokesman said came to the station wearing a blood-stained shirt and holding a blood-stained kitchen knife in his hand — was arrested. The husband allegedly told police that his wife had forced him into marrying her, had constantly nagged him and had failed to prepare his meals.

Police reported that they found the woman dead in bed with a single stab would near the heart.

The couple's four-year-old son was placed with relations.

'Private banker' must stay in jail

TEL AVIV. — A District Court judge here yesterday refused to release on bail a local man charged with conducting illicit foreign currency transactions from a "private bank."

The man, Yitzhak Zweigenbaum, told the court that he was "a very religious, God-fearing man, and the father of an army officer. Furthermore, he strongly denied dealing in foreign currency and claimed that he made an honourable living out of lending money on interest.

Zweigenbaum's lawyer asked the court to release his client — who has already been detained for nine of the 15 days ordered by the Magistrate's Court. The judge turned down the request after considering secret information provided by the prosecution. *(Itim.)*

Dan Hotels chief says tourism is underrated

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Shmuel Federman, of the Dan Hotel Corporation, yesterday expressed his opinion that the Government was not sufficiently conscious of the economic importance of tourism and the crisis the branch was now undergoing.

Speaking at a press luncheon to mark the opening of the Sabra coffee shop at the Dan Carmel, he said that, while Tourism Minister Moshe Kol was doing his best to help the branch, the fact that he represented a small party in the coalition did not give his efforts sufficient weight.

He estimated that hotel tourism had declined by 30 per cent this year. Fortunately for his corporation, the Dan hotels had enjoyed nearly 80 per cent bookings during the past three months. But many of the guests had been Israelis and the outlook for December was bleak.

In answer to questions, he said that charter flights would be of little use to the corporation's five-star hotels and he advocated more cheap group flights by El Al.

The new coffee shop, overlooking the hotel swimming pool, will offer dairy meals from 10 a.m. till late at night.

Deputy Premier Yigal Allon makes a point with Edward Short, Leader of the House of Commons, on his arrival at Ben-Gurion Airport. (Ippa.)

Short says Israel-UK ties couldn't be better

B-G AIRPORT. — Relations between Britain and Israel could not possibly be bettered — they are so good — according to Edward Short, MP, Leader of the House of Commons, on his arrival here yesterday afternoon for an official five-day visit. He said he had a message from Prime Minister Harold Wilson for Premier Yitzhak Rabin.

In his conversations here with Premier Rabin, Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Yigal Allon, and Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev, Short will touch on Israel's stand concerning the coming stages in the Middle East dispute, Common Market problems and bilateral relations, it is understood.

Short, who arrived on an RAF Argosy transport plane from Cyprus, received a red carpet welcome from Deputy Premier Allon, British Ambassador Sir Bernard Ledwidge, and Israel's Ambassador in London, Gideon Rafael.

The Leader of the House, who noted that he had visited Israel several times before, said that from his acquaintance with the Foreign Ministry here, he would not have much time for touring and would be mostly busy working. *(Itim.)*

Arab and Druse autonomy noted by British leaders

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A group of British Labour Party civic leaders, who were reportedly surprised to learn that there are 48 Arab and Druze local authorities operating in Israel, leave for home today after 10 days as guests of the Labour Party's International and Municipal Departments.

The British civic leaders told their hosts how impressed they were by the religious communal, educational and social autonomy enjoyed by the country's minority communities. During their visit, they met many municipal leaders, Jewish and Arab, from Metulla to Eilat.

"It looks strange to us that Jews in Israel live under a siege while Arabs can move freely," they said after seeing the "open bridges" policy in action at Allenby Bridge. They noted that only Arabs are allowed to cross freely to and from Jordan, while Jews are barred.

The British leaders met Interior Minister Shlomo Hillel, Information Minister Aharon Yariv, Labour Minister Moshe Baram, Labour Party Secretary-General Meir Zarmi and Israel Union of Local Authorities Director-General Zeev Meljon.

Museum goes begging

By JUDY SIEGEL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

For the first time since it opened nine years ago, the Israel Museum has a collection box at its entrance. A sign there says: "Cash and cheques accepted; you can help keep us open."

But just as the handful of bills and coins inside is unlikely to go far in filling the Jerusalem museum's annual IL4m. budget, the museum labour committee claims that firing 10 per cent of the staff won't help much either.

The labour committee yesterday announced that it would strike in reaction to the management's decision on Wednesday to dismiss 22 professionals and non-professionals. The committee pointed out that one-half of the money saved by the dismissals would be paid back to the employees in compensation.

The committee also feels the management has not done enough to get larger subsidies from the Government. They point out that the Israel Museum — the country's second largest tourist attraction (after the Western Wall) — benefits the Tourism and Education Ministries, the Jewish Agency and the Jerusalem Municipality. But these pay little to keep the museum going.

The management has threatened to close the museum if the strike threat is carried out. The Israel and Rockefeller Museums are already opening an hour later (at 11 a.m. instead of 10) and the Rockefeller is closed on Monday and Wednesday, in an effort to save money. Next week, the museum library of 50,000 books and the Billy Rose Art Garden will be closed as well.

Meanwhile, the museum reports that in two weeks it has collected IL2,300 from the box at the entrance.

Tadiran buys out main U.S. rival

B-G AIRPORT. — Tadiran, Israel Electronic Industries Ltd., has bought out the U.S.-based Electrospace Corporation, one of the world's largest producers of military communications equipment and Tadiran's main competitor on international markets.

Tadiran's managing-director, Elhanan Caspi, told newsmen here yesterday on his return from the U.S. that, by acquiring three of the U.S. company's four factories together with all their equipment, Tadiran will be able to double its turnover in a very short time.

He noted that the company had exported some $100m. worth of equipment up to the end of last month, and in July and August alone, had received export orders for IL52m. This export load, in addition to the needs of the local defence establishment, had made it necessary to increase production as soon as possible, Mr. Caspi said.

Electrospace went into liquidation about three months ago, and a team of Tadiran officials went to the U.S. before the company's assets were put up for tender to conclude the package deal. *(Itim.)*

TA bus centre to go up after all

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The new central bus terminal at Kikar Levinsky will go up after all, now that the ban on it has been rescinded.

After the Oren committee responsible for building curbs under the Government's economic restraint programme said the terminal would not be built, a general outcry resulted. The city, the Transport Ministry, the bus co-ops, the Tel Aviv Labour Council and other bodies protested that the metropolis could not carry on any longer with the old bus station.

One reason why the Housing Ministry's appeal committee agreed to rescind the ban was the Netivei Ayalon expressway corporation's promise that the approach roads to the new terminal would be completed by 1976 and the assurance that IL50m. had been provided to pave these roads.

The appeals committee said Asia House on Sderot Shaul Hamelech could put up its first four storeys, since a new industrialized building technique was being used. But the Laromme Hotel in the Manahiye quarter would be permitted to build its skeleton only.

Fewer accidents in Jerusalem despite heavier traffic

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Despite a 13 per cent growth in the number of vehicles plying Jerusalem's streets each year, serious traffic accidents have declined by 16.5 per cent in the city in the last two years, according to the Central Bureau of Statistics.

Traffic engineers attribute the decline to the installation of traffic lights and other improvements in traffic management.

The statistics show a steady rise in accidents involving injuries in the capital until 1971 (accidents without injuries are not recorded), then there came a drop, as follows:

1968 —	946	accidents
1969 —	965	"
1970 —	989	"
1971 —	1097	"
1972 —	1057	"
1973 —	917	"

Municipal Traffic Engineer Avraham Gialchensky told the *Jerusalem Post* this week that it was not clear whether last year's drop was attributable, at least in part, to the Yom Kippur War. While there was less civilian traffic following the outbreak of the war, he said, there were a large number of accidents involving military vehicles and a general nervousness in driving. In any case, the decline had begun the year before.

The main factor, he claimed, was traffic management. Dangerous crossings where cars had frequently piled up had been pacified by traffic lights, traffic islands, improved traffic signs and easier turning radiuses. Mr. Gialchensky noted that the number of sets of traffic lights had increased from 18 in 1971 — the peak accident year — to 42 today. The latest one to be installed, just three weeks ago, was at French Hill and Ramallah Road where there had been frequent accidents. Another three are to be activated in the coming days at Kikar Zahal (Mandelbaum), Hebron-Ein Gedi (Talpiot), and Shmuel Hanavi-Yehezkel. Two others are being put up at Herzl-Hameyasdim (Bait Hakerem) and at Straus-Haneviim.

Meanwhile, the most far-reaching innovation in traffic management in Jerusalem in recent years — the change in the downtown traffic flow instituted last month — is generally considered a success.

It will be another month before the results of a survey are available showing the relative speed with which cars are able to drive through downtown now compared to before the traffic changes, but it is already clear to the engineers and to most motorists that the flow is much smoother and swifter.

The only places with frequent congestion at peak hours are the westbound lanes on Jaffa between King George and Kikar Zion, but the engineers say this is insoluble without the addition of another lane. Minor improvements to the traffic pattern are being made by the engineers who have been closely watching how the flow develops. The changed so far include more time for pedestrians to cross and better clearance for vehicles trying to get into Jaffa from side streets such as Harav Kook and Rivlin. Because of the smooth way things are going, the speed of the "green wave" on Jaffa has been increased from 20 k.p.h. to 35 k.p.h.

Beersheba students join Civil Guard

BEERSHEBA. — One hundred and twenty students at the Negev Ben-Gurion University here joined the local Civil Guard at a swearing-in ceremony this week. Several hundred more are expected to volunteer in the near future.

The BG Student Council has recommended that all men living at the university should do guard duty at and around their quarters under the supervision of student officials and the university security chief.

The local Civil Guard will start carrying American semi-automatic rifles as of next week.

THREE FISHERMEN caught in a boat fishing in a closed security zone in Haifa Bay, were arrested by the Coastal Police on Wednesday night.

Some groceries to be cheaper

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Ten grocery manufacturers have announced they will cut prices for the forthcoming holidays, in response to a request from Haim Bar-Lev, Minister of Commerce and Industry.

Moshe Perluck, secretary of the General Merchants Association, last night identified the firms as Elite, Vita, Izhar, Assis, Wissotzky Tea, Osem, Hogola Paper Products, Iwago Meat Products, Beit Hashita Preserves and Sol Deodorants.

Mr. Perluck said the price cuts would be passed right on to the consumers, since grocers' stocks are usually small at this time of year, and items housewives will find on the shelves should be from the new, reduced-price goods.

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of the Vatican. She stressed that the passport did not grant the prelate diplomatic status, and noted that in any case there were no diplomatic relations between Israel and the Vatican to provide the prelate with a reciprocal diplomatic status here.

Mrs. Ben-Porat said that the attached visa gave the bearer freedom of movement in deference to his religious status, but it made no mention "even by the slightest implication" that the Archbishop was diplomatically immune from trial.

While obviously referring to counsel Shehadeh's earlier argument over such immunity on the basis of documents he exhibited in court, Judge Ben-Porat nevertheless appeared to have left the issue open as she said: "The defendant must still convince me that his status affords immunity."

With regard to the Archbishop's request that he be detained in a monastery rather than in jail, the judge said the decision was not for the court but for the security authorities to make. "I trust they will take into account the defendant's religious status," she said.

Rabin calls for harder work

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segments of the public, especially the Histadrut. He spoke of the need for introducing a work regime appropriate to the national emergency. Rabin urged a more correct distribution of manpower between defence, production and services. The army lacked men, industrial productivity was inadequate, and the services were inefficient and fell short of proper standards. The Premier said he wanted the Histadrut to help the government in streamlining services and cutting out dead wood in public administration.

The Prime Minister spoke sharply of recent wildcat strikes, especially of the El Al maintenance men: "American Jews who have not reduced their giving to Israel, asked us, if Israel is in an emergency why do so many Israelis not feel the same way as we do?" Declaring that the Government's power was limited on the labour front, Mr. Rabin urged the public to create the kind of climate that would discourage such developments. The Prime Minister declared: "When we lack arms, we can blame the Americans; when the political situation is gloomy, we can blame the Arabs and the rest of the world; but the social and economic situation depends on us."

His audience included such Knesset Members of North African origin as Matilda Ghez and Eli Moyal and a broad range of municipal and trade union leaders. They highlighted the social problems facing immigrant communities, especially education.

Mr. Moyal noted that 44 per cent of Israeli schoolchildren don't make the grade, and while 27 per cent of Israeli children were of North African origin, 80 per cent of them needed special attention. "Why can children of the same family in France complete university, yet in Israel they are school drop-outs?" he asked.

Mr. Moyal said the problem was not communal but geographical, pointing out that the worst schools were in the North and the South where most North African immigrants lived, while the central region got the best deal.

Beisan council chairman Yitzhak Keinan said 50 per cent of his townsmen were under the age of 18. He criticised the Education Ministry for cutting the long school day in development towns while the government talked of allocating millions for problematic children. "By curtailing school hours in these areas you create problem children," he said.

Ashdod high school principal Arye Azulai said, "You speak of the need to change patterns of living. I think you have come to the wrong people. We represent the weaker strata, why not approach those higher up the social pyramid."

Meir Shitrit, at 26 Israel's youngest council chairman, of Yavne, protested the abolition of cuts in school fees. Stressing the need for raising social and educational standards in development towns, Shitrit pointed at himself, saying: "I am a good example of the potential in these people. I was a teacher, I became a seren (captain) in the army. I am a university graduate, and at 25 a council chairman — but I started to work at the age of 12."

Y. Ventura, chairman of the Finance Ministry's customs and excise staff division, said one per cent of the projected VAT could produce IL500m. and be used as an educational loan.

Dimona Mayor Armand Laredo regretted that too many North African immigrants still lived in flats of 33 square metres they received in the 1950s. He urged that 15 per cent of immigrant housing be earmarked to solve outstanding problems of past immigrants.

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Greek FM opens campaign to revive links with Europe

PARIS. — Greek Foreign Minister George Mavros launched a campaign yesterday to revive Greece's links with Europe, but said there was no place for the United States or the Soviet Union in European decision-taking.

"Europe's destiny must be decided by Europe itself, not by Washington or Moscow — this would be inadmissible," Mavros said at Orly Airport when he arrived for a two-day stay.

Mavros scheduled a 6 p.m. meeting with French Foreign Minister Jean Sauvagnargues and separate talks today with President Valery Giscard d'Estaing and Premier Jacques Chirac. Afterwards he has planned trips to Bonn and Brussels.

Mavros said: "I hope that the European countries will help Greece in stabilizing our new democracy."

Before leaving Athens, Mavros described his trip as "The first opening of the Greek democratic government towards Europe. Until now our country was in complete international isolation. Under such conditions it was not possible to conduct foreign policy. This is the first opening of the Greek democratic government to Europe."

Mavros said he will discuss "topics of high national importance like the Cyprus crisis, the reactivation of our association with the Common Market and our relations with the economic community in general." A Greek government spokesman said that in Brussels Mavros will try to speed up signing of a new finance agreement releasing Common Market credits for agricultural and industrial projects.

He may also meet Nato secretary-general Josef Luns. "He has expressed the desire to meet me and, if my schedule permits, I will see him," Mavros said.

Greece withdrew from the Nato military alliance August 14 following the resumption of the Turkish advance in Cyprus after the breakdown of the Geneva talks.

In Greece itself, Centre Union Party members Wednesday called for the abolition of laws forbidding the operation of political parties. The Centre Union was the leading party in parliament when the army seized power in 1967 and suspended democracy in Greece.

In a joint announcement, Centre Union politicians called on Premier Karamanlis to abolish the laws against political parties operating freely and openly.

Karamanlis said his government would permit political parties to function and announce a date for elections once the Cyprus crisis passes.

The Centre Union, a conglomeration of liberal and leftist groups, was founded by veteran politician George Papandreou. It won a decisive parliamentary majority in the February 1964 elections.

(UPI, AP)

USSR renews its call for summit with Europe, U.S.

By K.C. THALER

LONDON (UPI). — The Soviet Union has renewed its call for a European security summit, with U.S. and Canadian participation, by the end of the year.

It was the first call for a summit with American participation since President Ford took office last month. The current issue of "Soviet News," quoting Moscow's government paper "Izvestia," said the European security conference should be held at the summit level before the end of this year "as the foremost integral element of present-day reality on the European scene."

The Kremlin is anxious to have the European security conference as soon as possible. The Russians want a set of declarations on a new European security system which would broadly legitimize the East-West division of Europe, endorse Russia's post-war territorial gains and sanction Moscow's hold on eastern Europe.

The West has been demanding that in return the Soviet Union agree to a lowering of the dividing curtain line in Europe, allowing freer movement of people and ideas across borders and permitting closer human contacts.

Moscow has made some compromises lately, but has been holding out on the crucial issue of eased East-West contacts. Russia explains her refusal to yield to the West's demand for closer human contacts across the dividing line with the charge that the allies want to infringe on Soviet sovereignty and exploit any concessions for espionage and interference in Russia's affairs.

Western diplomats say Russia may compromise eventually if she wants the summit badly.

Weeping, screaming Greek-Cypriot women demonstrate in Nicosia yesterday for information about their menfolk missing in the war. (AP radiophoto)

Both sides report more massacres in Cyprus

NICOSIA (UPI). — The Government said yesterday that Turkish forces have executed at least 130 Greek Cypriot civilians in Turkish-held areas of the divided island and Turkish Cypriots said they have a report of another massacre of Turkish Cypriots by Greek Cypriots.

Despite the charges and counter-charges, a meeting between President Glafkos Clerides and Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash to discuss humanitarian problems will take place today, a UN spokesman said. The meeting had been scheduled last Monday but Denktash called it off when mass Turkish Cypriot graves were found.

The Government statement did not list specific instances of atrocities but said the slayings occurred in numerous areas now under Turkish control.

"It emerges from documentary evidence gathered by the police that until the 17th of August at least 130 Greeks were murdered in cold blood by Turks, including children, women and men up to the age of 90," the Government statement said.

The Government also said Andreas Stylianou, a building contractor who escaped from a Turkish detention centre, told police the Turks machinegunned to death about 30 Greek Cypriot soldiers who had been kept in a kiln near Palekythro, about 11 kms. east of Nicosia.

A Turkish Cypriot spokesman said a report had been received of a massacre of more than 50 civilians in a village in a small Turkish enclave on the southwestern edge of the island. The report said the Turkish Cypriots were buried in a mass grave, the spokesman said.

"We believe the report is true, but we still haven't received enough details to justify a complaint to the UN," he said.

Turkish Cypriots said 149 bodies have been exhumed from two mass graves in an area about 19 kms. north of Famagusta on the east coast, one at Aloa and another at Maratha. The UN confirmed 84 bodies had been removed from a mass grave found on Sunday at Maratha but could not confirm the total figure of those found at Aloa two weeks ago.

Turkish Cypriots claimed to have found another mass grave at Dohni, near Limassol on the Greek-controlled south coast, where they said up to 49 men were shot and buried. A UN spokesman said the peace-seeking forces on the island were not being allowed to inspect the site.

An official UN report said yesterday that a total of 225,600 persons or more than one-third of the total population of Cyprus had been directly affected by the hostilities. Most of them were displaced from their homes or lost their livelihood in the events, the report said.

Mideast oil money entering U.S. banks

NEW YORK (UPI). — The oil-producing nations of the Middle East have begun moving money into American banks, the "Wall Street Journal" said yesterday.

The newspaper quoted an official of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York as saying, "We can see chunks of $100m. or so coming in."

Economists at the Morgan Guaranty Trust Company estimated that the flow of funds from nations of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) might be as much as $6,000m. from the beginning of 1974 through mid-August, the paper said.

Soviet travel curbs send U.S. wheat experts home

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The U.S. Agriculture Department said yesterday that it had recalled a team of experts from the Soviet Union because of travel restrictions.

The team arrived in Moscow on August 26 to begin a two-and-a-half-week tour of six major spring wheat production regions. But on arrival in Moscow, they were given an itinerary that included only one of the six areas, the department said.

Because of the unexpected travel curbs — no reason was given by Soviet authorities — the team had been ordered back to Washington last weekend, the department said.

The visit was planned under a joint agreement signed last year on the exchange of economic information between the U.S. and the Soviet Union.

Earlier this year, a similar team spent about three weeks surveying and assessing Soviet winter wheat prospects.

Spring wheat represents about 60 per cent of total Soviet output and American officials had hoped the tour of the six areas would have provided an accurate independent assessment of this year's Soviet crop.

Total production there is expected to fall short of last year's record output of 109.7 million tons, probably to around 95 million tons. But the Soviet Government set lower goals this year, and some of the decline in wheat is likely to be offset by an increase in other grains.

Total Soviet production of the major animal feed grains — barley, corn, sorghum, oats and rye—is expected by U.S. experts to climb to around 100 million tons from last year's 96.6 million tons.

Japan reported set to refuse Korean demand

SEOUL (AP). — Noisy anti-Japanese demonstrations flared up here yesterday, as Japan was reportedly planning to reject South Korea's demand for more positive cooperation in investigations of last month's assassination attempt on Korean President Park Chung Hee.

South Korea has charged Japan with "insincerity" in investigating alleged accomplices in the assassination plot, which, it claims, was planned in Japan. Relations between the two countries have reached a low point over the August 15 incident, when a Korean living in Japan tried to assassinate President Park during an Independence Day ceremony. Park escaped injury, but his wife was killed.

Massive Nato air exercise next week

BRUSSELS (AP). — Military aircraft from the U.S., Britain, Canada, Denmark and Italy will engage in mock air battles next week when air defence forces of the Atlantic alliance's central European region test their capabilities.

The Supreme Headquarters of the Allied Powers in Europe (Shape) has announced that over 2,000 sorties will be flown during the exercise September 9-11, over an area including West Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands and parts of Britain.

Officials said the exercise is being organized to "realistically demonstrate the huge degree of international integration and cooperation within the air defence system."

Japan, North Korea continue to harvest medals at Asian Games

TEHERAN. — Japan and North Korea continued their medal harvest yesterday as Asian Games officials decided to go ahead with the boxing tournament which has been rocked by controversy.

Only one hour before the first bouts were due to start a spokesman for the organizing committee said the Asian Boxing Federation has accepted assurances from Thailand's team officials that all members of their team were indeed amateurs and eligible to compete.

Games organizers and boxing officials have been in continual session here over allegations that six of the Thailand team were ineligible because they had fought professionally in the traditional Thai style of boxing.

The spokesman said first-round bouts scheduled for last night and second round fights today would take place according to the original draw, with the Thais taking part. Boxing officials were instructed to report finally to the games organizers tomorrow morning on the status of the Thais.

There were also problems when the individual tennis tournament started yesterday. Kuwait's Ali Yacoob al Ghanim withdrew from his first round men's singles match against Israeli Yehoshua Shalem in line with Arab policy that their competitors would not take part in face-to-face matches with the Israelis. Israel won the tennis game by walkover.

Israel's other tennis entry in the men's competition, Yair Wertheimer, dropped his match to India's Goswami, 6-1, 4-6, 1-6.

But Paulina Peissachov won her first-round match in the women's singles in two straight sets against South Korea's Miss Yang, 6-3, 6-1.

Arab entrants earlier competed with Israelis in the swimming but are not expected to take part in basketball or football matches among other sports on their blacklist.

The cycling programme opened with an immediate gold for Iran in the 100-km. team road race over four laps of a 25-km. course on the Teheran-Karaj freeway.

The Iranians clocked two hours, 17 minutes, 4.47, beating Japan by just over two minutes. Mongolia earned their first medal of the games by taking third place, a minute behind the Japanese.

Fourth-placed Thailand protested that one of the Mongolians had assisted a teammate across the finishing line. The cycling jury rejected an oral protest, but the Thais said they would lodge a formal complaint.

South Korea won the gold medal in the women's tennis team event when Japan defeated China, 3-0. China's defeat gave it a record of five wins and one defeat, the same as South Korea. Although South Korea had lost to China, 2-1, on Tuesday, it won the gold medal with a better set margin.

Japan won three more gold medals in swimming events yesterday, and its competitors set two new Games records. At the end of the afternoon's events, they had added six gold medals to the 26 they had won in the first three days.

North Korea had increased its total to 10, China still stood at six, South Korea added one to have five, and Iran two for a total of four.

Hideaki Hara of Japan beat China's Lo Cho-ying in a neck-and-neck race to win the men's 100 metres butterfly in the Asian Games record time of 58.21 seconds. Earlier yesterday in the heats Hara had already broken the existing record of 58.7 seconds when he clocked 58.65.

Another double record breaker was 17-year-old Fusae Nakamura in the women's 400-metre freestyle. In the heats she improved the 4:51.8 record to 4:49.47 and in the finals she won with a 4:48.73 clocking.

Japan took its 15th and 16th swimming gold medals when it won the men's 400 metre medley relay in 4:01.66.

South Korea's Cho O Yun proved the only one able to stop the Japanese winning streak. On Wednesday he won the men's 400 metre freestyle and yesterday he clocked the fastest time in the heats for the 1,500-metre freestyle, 17:21.04. The finals will be held tomorrow. Cho holds the Games record of 17:25.7 set in Bangkok four years ago.

Bak Ik Hang of North Korea won the small-bore standard pistol individual competition with 561, but the Japanese took the silver medal with 2,200 points.

Japan won two more gold medals in the middle heavyweight weight lifting even when Masashi Ogata took the snatch with 152.5 kg. and the total weight with 332.5. Valli of Iran won gold in the snatch with 185 kg. and placed second in all with 310.

North Korean marksmen won the other three medals in the small-bore competition, for a total of eight so far. The Koreans won the small-bore standard rifle team event with 2,218 points and Ri E Ho the individual contest with 566 points.

(Reuter)

Israel trounces Philippines enters 2nd soccer round

TEHERAN.—Israel advanced to the second round of the Asian Games football tournament when they ran roughshod over the Philippines for a 6-0 shutout in their Group C match here yesterday, bringing their total goal tally to 14 in two games.

In a later game at the same stadium, Iran confirmed that its footballers are among the top contenders for Asian soccer supremacy when it edged Burma, 2-1. A crowd of 75,000 roared approval as the Iranians went into the winning lead in the 58th minute after a 1-1 tie at the interval, humbling the reigning co-champions.

In another match yesterday, Pakistan trounced tiny Bahrein by 5-1.

Israel, which beat Malaysia in its opening match, scored five times in a 25-minute spell in the first half, and was never in danger against a Filipino team which concentrated almost solely on defence.

The large crowd at the Aryamehr stadium, who were gathering for the evening match between Iran and Burma, cheered ironically whenever the Philippines team advanced over the half-way line.

Two of the Israel goals were scored by Moshe Schweitzer, the son of the team's coach. He scored in the 17th and the 42nd minute. The other Israeli goals were scored by Gideon Damti (24 m.), Isaac Shum (31), Moshe [illegible] (40) and Yoshua Faigenbaum.

(Reuter)

Egypt taking steps to protect girls sold as brides to old men

CAIRO (UPI). — It's all quite legal, the Arab version of the mail-order bride. But too often the young wives end up many miles from home and little more than slaves to husbands old enough to be their grandfathers.

The Egyptian Government wants to put a stop to it.

According to a report published recently in the semi-official Al Ahram newspaper, nearly 10 girls are sold each week, especially in summer, through marriage contracts to husbands they have never seen.

They find themselves in Libya, Qatar, Kuwait, Abu Dhabi and other Arab states, unable to cope with their new lives and wanting to go home, sometimes suffering nervous breakdowns, bruises and starvation.

The broker may be a taxi or truck driver who shuttles across the desert to neighboring Libya. He has the power of attorney to purchase the girls, many of them from the poorer section of Giza outside Cairo, for a fixed price her parents gladly accept.

"But they gave us 200 pounds (IL2,100) and they didn't ask for any dowry. I do not think I could ever have a like amount in my hands again," one mother told Amer Mahgoub, Undersecretary of State in the notary affairs section of the Justice Ministry.

"We recognize this sad situation and we're trying to talk sense to the families of these girls, whose ages range from about 14 years," Mahgoub told Al Ahram. "But nobody pays any attention."

To marry legally with parents' consent in Egypt a girl must be 16, but on times the parents claim their daughter is of age even though she may not be — and get away with it.

A committee of representatives from the notary affairs office and interior and foreign ministries approved a resolution for curbing these contract marriages. The proposal demands:

- Marriages through an intermediary representative be outlawed when the bridegroom never appears and his age, social position and previous marriages are unknown.
- The Interior Ministry not issue passports to girls unless the husband deposits money for her return to Egypt in the event of divorce.
- The husband signs a certificate listing his social status, income, former wives, age, number of children, address and any police record.
- The Cairo-based embassy of the husband's country certifies that it approves of the marriage and that the Egyptian embassy in his country vouches for the man.

Yehia Abdel Nebi, head of the notary public office, said that without these protective measures, there is little the Egyptian authorities can do.

"We stand with folded arms," he told Al Ahram. "We cannot go against the law and all we can is to ask the girl if she agrees to the marriage. We try to persuade the parents, but in most cases they are hard-working poor people and need the money urgently. They sell their daughter before they know of the public."

Statistics show that in 1973 the first half of 1974, 15,000 such marriages took place in Egyptian civil courts between Egyptian women and men from other Arab countries, some in their 60s, 70s and 80s.

One embassy wrote to the secretary of the Foreign Ministry consular affairs department complaining that wayward girls had become quite a problem. The girl shows up, sometimes as soon as two days after her arrival, suffering a complete nervous breakdown from severe pressures, beatings and accute starvation. The embassy for passage money home. The embassy noted this occurs at least three times a week.

"The girl thinks she'll live a fantastic life," Al Ahram quoted an embassy letter as saying, "but she may turn out her husband to be a beggar in the desert, in community property and on a limited income."

The newspaper said several Arab countries have promised to help solve the problem. So far only Algeria has pledged to help by turning down a girl's application for a visa unless the government approves of her husband's character, financial status and the suitability of the match itself.

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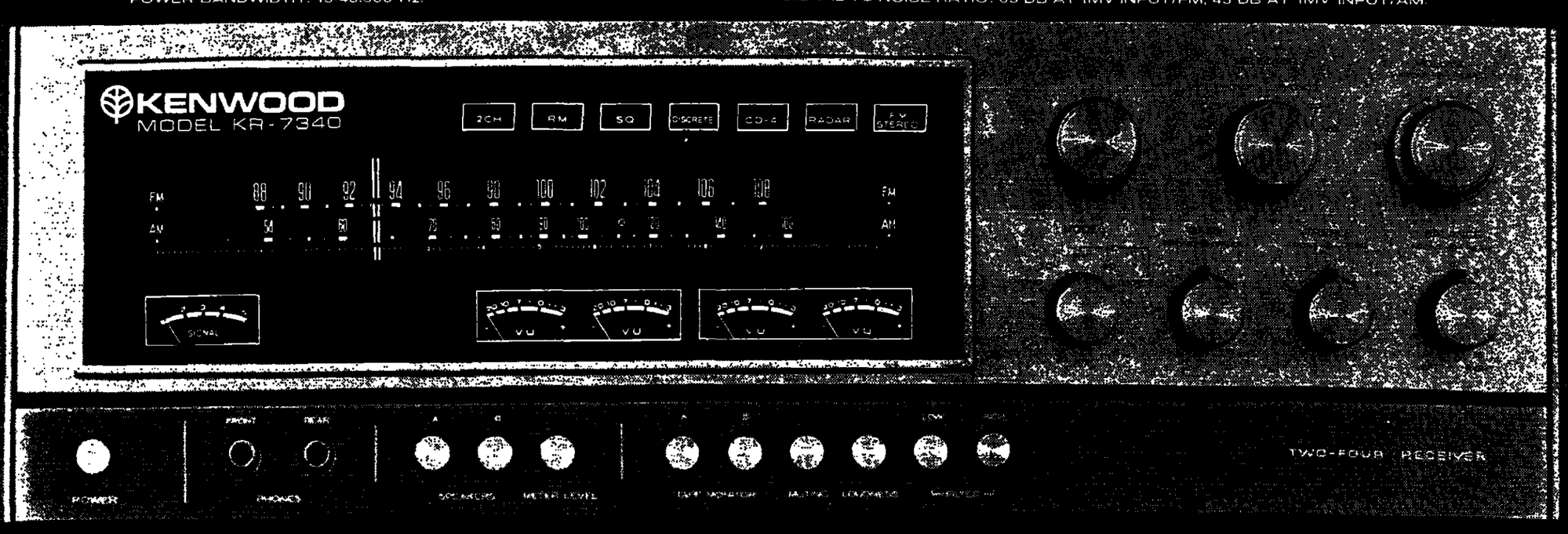

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Wilson opens UK election campaign

GHTON (Reuter). — British ne Minister Harold Wilson yes- lay set the stage for "the coming eral election."

a speech to the country's trade onists at their annual conference , Mr. Wilson left no doubt that election — Britain's second of 4 — is only weeks away.

The coming general election is just a decision about political er, about personalities or about ins and the outs and party hines," the Prime Minister ared.

It is a decision, perhaps a once- all decision, which will settle ther an undue degree of power o adhere to the big battalions, he rich and powerful, or whether er is to be exercised under de- ratic government and held in t for all our people."

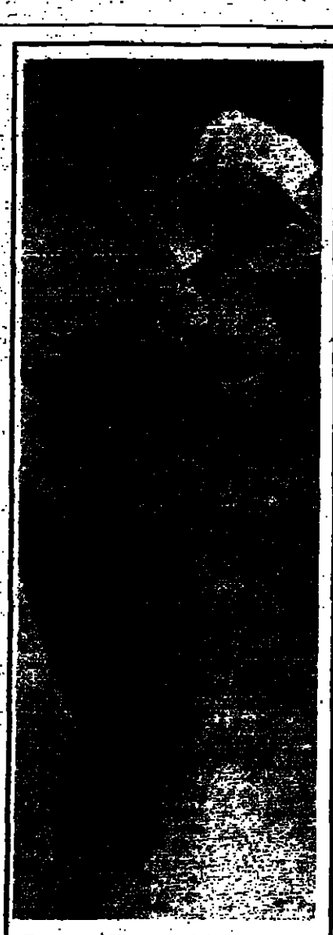
e made no mention of any elec- date but October 3 or 10 are most favoured days.

r. Wilson said that with the our party, Britain could win ugh the present economic crisis to a future of progress. The Labour Party, said Mr. Wilson, would not disguise the magnitude of the problems facing Britain. "But let us not overdo the gloom," he went on, citing the efforts of export industries.

The Prime Minister pointed to progress in reducing the nation's balance of payments deficit on non-oil products and said his government was determined that this progress would continue. He added that world trade must be expanded by persuading other countries to pursue an expansionist policy.

Mr. Wilson underlined hopes for the social contract between the Labour government and the nation's trade unions for holding down wages to fight inflation. This agreement won overwhelming union approval yesterday.

He said the Labour government had rejected legislating wage controls not only as a matter of principle, but because past experience, both in Britain and abroad, had shown this could not work for long.



General Franco, the Spanish Chief of State, took his executive powers back from his successor, Prince Juan Carlos de Bourbon, when he recovered from a blood clot last week, and Spanish television showed that he regained his powers on the green as well. He played nine holes on Monday and nine on Tuesday. His drive lacked force but his swing seemed fine. (AP radiophoto)

Mozambique independence talks start

LUSAKA (UPI). — The Portuguese Foreign Minister, Dr. Mario Soares, arrived in Zambia yesterday for independence talks with Mozambique guerrilla leaders.

"I hope this visit to Lusaka will be my last one," Dr. Soares told newsmen on his arrival, "as we are likely to sign an agreement with the Frelimo guerrilla movement in the next few days."

Frelimo leader Samora Machel — the most likely candidate for first President of an independent Mozambique — arrived here earlier this week for the talks.

Soares said he expected independence to be reached sometime in the middle of next year. Until that time, he said, Lisbon would continue to guard the territorial integrity of the sprawling tropical colony. There will be no elections during the transitional period to full independence, the minister said.

The two sides at the current talks are expected to agree on the composition of a temporary government to guide the territory to self-rule, with the majority of portfolios going to guerrilla supporters.

Machel, however, has already made it clear Frelimo will not discuss the question of independence itself with Soares — only how this can be achieved in the shortest possible time.

Meanwhile, in Lourenco Marques, the Mozambique capital, thousands of pro-guerrilla supporters held a mass rally to coincide with the independence talks.

Police said it was probably the largest pro-guerrilla meeting in the province's history, and the capital city came to a halt as an estimated 20,000 Frelimo supporters packed the suburban Machava Stadium to hear a succession of speakers.

Transit camp for Jews irks Vienna neighbours

VIENNA (AP). — Neighbours of the new transit camp for Soviet Jews, kept unaware of the intended use of the building until last weekend, have begun voicing their complaints and fears of Arab terrorist attacks.

"I know the Jews have to be housed somewhere," said one woman. "But why do they have to come next door to us?"

She and others in the housing development in Vienna's Simmering district said they were unaware until a week ago that the camp was to be established in their neighbourhood. Workmen on the building would not say what they were doing. Some of the people thought the place would be an orphans' home.

"But then last week all of a sudden they started building a wall around the house," said one woman. "Next thing the barbed wire was there, and one morning by the end of the week, huge Red Cross signs were painted on the roof."

Guards armed with submachineguns protect the camp, which is operated by the Austrian Red Cross, and police patrols in the area have been increased. One resident said checks are made on people moving about the area at night.

Austrian officials said precautions are being taken to protect the neighbourhood, but many residents still aren't satisfied.

"How would you like to live next door to barbed wire, to have your kids play among heavily armed policemen?" one woman asked.

IRA worsts army over street lights

BELFAST (AP). — The Irish Republican Army won a bloodless victory over the British Army in Northern Ireland yesterday by forcing it to restore civilian control of street lighting in the town of Newry.

The move by the British ended a three-week blackout that had forced factories to close and lay off workers, in the predominantly Roman Catholic town on the frontier with the Irish Republic.

The town's power was shut off after the local command of the IRA's "Provisional" wing threatened to kill repair crews from the state-run electricity authority as British "collaborators" if they did maintenance work. The guerrillas demanded the army return the control of street lights which it had taken from civilians several months ago. The military regularly switched off whole blocks to cover patrols from IRA sniper attacks. The army at first refused, but after several days of blackout, agreed to return control of all but city centre lighting to the electricity authority.

The British moved in mobile generators to help public utilities and food stores. The IRA threatened to shoot any businessman using them.

The British finally gave in on Wednesday after mounting pressure from Newry's Catholics, politicians and businessmen. Within an hour of the announcement, the IRA said it had withdrawn its death threats against the electricity men.

The electricity board said much of Newry's lost power would be restored within a couple of days. The army, however, stressed yesterday that it would take control of the street lights again, if violence broke out.

A security source in Belfast believed the IRA had scored "a fair sized psychological victory" in Newry, and may try the formula in other towns in the unruly British province, wracked by more than five years of sectarian conflict that has left at least 1,058 dead.

Sources said the IRA had apparently learned the lesson taught by their Protestant rivals with a political strike last May that crippled Northern Ireland for 15 days and brought down its moderate coalition administration.

Boiler blast kills 7 in Australia

BART, Australia (Reuter). — en people were killed and 18 in- d, four seriously, when a boiler losion destroyed a laundry run by an Catholic nuns at a convent here yesterday.

he person was still missing last t when rescue teams called off search until dawn.

our of the dead were woman king in the Bayview laundry at Mount Saint Canice Convent at ly Bay. Three were workmen were installing a new boiler n the blast rocked the laundry.

don't think a 1,000-pound bomb d have done any more damage," Police Commissioner E. V. wles.

lice impounded the new boiler, the one the workmen were re- ng, for examination by experts.

arly 60 people were working at laundry and on a nearby truction site when the explosion d through the building, hurling is for over 400 metres.

e main buildings of the convent, as a school and reformatory girls, suffered little damage. The ren were on holiday and only sisters and a few staff were

Ford convenes first session on inflation

WASHINGTON (UPI). — President Ford yesterday convened the first of a series of meetings with economists aimed at tackling inflation in the U.S.

Opening a meeting of 28 economists in the White House, Ford said the American people are "sick and tired of having politics played with their pocketbooks." He urged them to set aside their usually conflicting views as much as possible to come up with practical, workable solutions to inflation.

"The people want right answers — not a long list of alternative answers," Ford said.

The meeting was the first of a dozen to be held in Washington and in cities throughout the country leading toward the National Summit Conference on Inflation in Washington, September 27-28.

Yesterday's session brought together economists from campuses, businesses, banks and agriculture and unions with such widely divergent views as those of liberals like Walter Heller and John Kenneth Galbraith and conservatives Milton Friedheim and Alan Greenspan, who was sworn in on Wednesday as the chairman of Ford's Council of Economic Advisers.

Scotland Yard foils attempt to steal Stone of Scone

LONDON (UPI). — Police yesterday foiled an attempt to steal the historic Stone of Scone from its resting place in Westminster Abbey.

A Scotland Yard spokesman said officers, alerted by a burglar alarm, arrested one man inside the Abbey and picked up two other men outside.

The Stone of Scone, a 60-by-45-centimetre block of sandstone weighing 200 kilos, has been used for more than 1,000 years in the coronation of Scottish and English kings. It was brought to Westminster Abbey in 1297 as a symbol of Scotland's subjugation to England and placed in a specially built oak throne known as the Coronation Chair which stands against the back of the Abbey's altar.

Scotland Yard said part of the Coronation Chair had been used to pry the stone from its place. The block then had been pushed onto a small cart, which had collapsed under the weight. The alarm was triggered when the stone was levered from its iron bracket beneath the chair, the Yard said.

Many Scots consider the Stone of Scone a symbol of their desire for independence from England so authorities blamed Scottish nationalists when it last was stolen on Christmas Day, 1950. The stone later was discovered in the abbey at Arbroath, Scotland, and brought back to London in early 1951 after being gone for three months.

Police could given no motive for yesterday's attempted theft. But a police source said the man found inside Westminster Abbey had been living in Scotland in recent years.

When the burglar alarm went off shortly after midnight, dozens of police swarmed from Scotland Yard headquarters, just 200 metres from Westminster Abbey. Police found one man standing near the Coronation Chair. A rooftop to ground search using large flashlights and dogs produced no other suspects inside the building, but the two other men were found outside, standing in driving rain. All were taken for questioning, the Scotland Yard spokesman said.

VISIT. — Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau will pay an official visit to France at the end of October.

PLANES, STOCK TICKERS, WINE CELLARS

Onassis plans luxury tower for businessmen in N.Y.

NEW YORK (AP). — Aristotle Onassis, in cooperation with a New York realtor, is putting up a 52-story luxury apartment building next to St. Patrick's Cathedral on New York's Fifth Avenue, but it appeared unlikely that he and his wife would move in.

"I don't think he knows himself," said Jacqueline Robertson, president of Harlem Realty planning and design group, when asked if the shipowner and his wife Jacqueline, widow of President John Kennedy, would occupy one of the condominiums.

Onassis' Olympic Airlines is one of the businesses that will occupy the first 20 floors of the $95m. glass, steel and concrete structure called Olympic Tower.

Upstairs are apartments for sale from $122,000 to $650,000 plus maintenance fees. "They're primarily intended for international businessmen who want a place to stay when they're in New York," said Robertson, a Virginia-born architect educated at Cambridge University.

"They're the first apartments of the kind — designed more as weekend cottages than primary homes," he said. To keep up the illusion, there are wood-burning fire places in duplex apartments on some floors: the building hauls up the wood.

Olympic Tower also will offer residents private plane, helicopter, yacht and limousine service, stock exchange tickers, telex, private wine cellars, room service and what the owners claim is security unrivalled in the world.

Delivery boys, for example, will be escorted to apartments by a guard who will stay with them until they leave. Elevators will be attended 24 hours a day, as will front and back doors.

Paintings, wall safes and other valuables will be connected to a central alarm system, and each apartment entrance will be equipped with an intrusion alarm linked to a central computer.

Back and service entrances will be under both personal and electronic surveillance at all times, with the entire system monitored at a concierge station by the computer and closed-circuit television cameras.

The security system may, building officials feared, be just a little too secure. For instance, will that central computer keep a permanent record of the blonde whom a temporary bachelor might bring home some night? Or the photograph of a businessman who does not want to be linked to a supposed rival, while a secret deal is under negotiation?

"That problem hasn't really been worked out yet," Robertson admitted. "After all, there is no such thing as perfect security."

Home canning ups food poisoning rate

CAGO (AP). — The popularity ome canning as a means of g on high food costs has re- d in a growing incidence of tism, a food poisoning that is in one out of four cases.

searchers from the Centre for se Control in Atlanta report eparate outbreaks of botulism e U.S. during 1970-73.

e reported outbreaks involved ersons and caused 21 deaths, rchers said. Commercial foods implicated in only three of outbreaks; the others were ed on home-canned foods.

Chinese bar Soviets from visiting graves

MOSCOW (UPI). — Chinese authorities have again refused to allow Soviet diplomats to visit several cities to lay wreaths at the tombs of Soviet war dead, Tass said yesterday in a report from Peking.

Tass said staff members of the Soviet Embassy in Peking were barred from Shenyang, Harbin, Liushun and Dalny to lay wreaths on the 29th anniversary of the victory over Japan.

Requests for such visits are made every year and are regularly turned down.

New Zealand Premier buried in home town

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand (AP). — New Zealand's Premier, Norman E. Kirk, was buried yesterday in his home town of Waimate after a delay brought about by bad weather that forced a plane carrying his body to turn back to Christchurch.

The funeral ceremony in Waimate was attended by several thousand people who waited three hours for the cortege to arrive by road from Christchurch.

Kirk died on Saturday of a heart seizure. He was 51.

Ehrlichman subpoenas Nixon files for trial

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Former White House aide John D. Ehrlichman, who already has subpoenaed former President Richard Nixon to testify at the Watergate cover-up trial, now has subpoenaed the Secret Service to surrender hundreds of Nixon-era documents still locked in White House vaults, it was disclosed yesterday.

The subpoena, issued on August 29 and made public late yesterday, orders that the papers be delivered in Federal Court on September 16.

Although the Secret Service is in charge of safe-keeping of Nixon's tapes and files, it is unclear who has legal custody and the White House has asked Attorney General William B. Saxbe for a formal opinion.

Ehrlichman, one of six men to go on trial on September 30 in the cover-up case, demanded that Knight come to court and bring with him vast numbers of papers from the period of June 17, 1972, through May 1, 1973.

June 17 was the day five men were arrested with bugging gear at the Watergate offices of the Democratic National Committee and May 1 was the day following a major upheaval in the White House staff in the wake of scandal — including the resignations of Ehrlichman and H. R. Haldeman and the firing of John W. Dean III.

For that period, Ehrlichman asked for:

— His notes of meetings with Nixon, "which are stored in reddish-brown binders."

— A chronological file of his correspondence.

— All his personal papers relating to the Watergate burglary and the intelligence-gathering operation at the Nixon campaign that led to it; the activities of political saboteur Donald H. Segretti, the investigation of the "Watergate affair" and Nixon's taped conversations about it.

Kurds fleeing Iraqi bombing raids stream by thousands into Iran

MANSHAH (Reuter). — More 80,000 Kurds fleeing Iraqi ing raids have streamed into a refugee camps established by along its 700-km. western er.

n's Red Cross organization the Red Lion and Sun So- says that the numbers now ing the no-man's-land border n have increased to 7,000 a following intensified shelling strafing of their mountain vil-

International journalists in Teheran for the Asian Games were flown to the refugee camps as part of an Iranian move to call world attention to the problem.

The government last week announced an allocation of $100m. for the care of the refugees, mainly women, children and old men — including the construction of small townships to protect them from the bitter winter.

Newspapers have also published editorials criticizing an alleged lack of interest shown by the International Red Cross and the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) in the situation.

The refugee problem arises from the long and bitter dispute between the Arab rulers of Iraq and the Kurds who are seeking autonomy for their mountainous homeland in the North of Iraq. The Kurds have rejected government proposals for limited self-rule.

Neighbouring states are watching the conflict closely, partly because of a flood of Soviet military equipment into the country.

Red Lion and Sun Society officials, concerned over a possible Bangladesh-scale refugee influx, said Iran had coped with it alone for the past eight months but the flow was now reaching the level where it would need help.

The Society's special representative for refugees, Dr. Sohrab Shaybani, accused Iraq of systematic shelling and bombing to force its Kurdish population, numbering over two million, across the border into Iran. Asked if the refugee problem increased the dangers of a clash with Iran, Dr. Shaybani said he hoped not but that Iran had strong enough border forces, plus its air force, to deal with any provocation.

A series of minor border clashes has taken place between Iranian and Iraqi forces in recent weeks, including a six-hour mortar battle.

Dr. Shaybani said Iran was the only country assisting the refugees. Turkey had closed its border to them.

Iran's own Kurdish population in the border provinces of Azerbaijan, Kurdistan and Kermanshah is put at about two-and-a-half million. The main camp is at Siryas, 120 kms. west of Kermanshah and 60 kms. from the border. The camp, built for 3,000, now houses 12,600 people in long lines of tents.

Dr. Shaybani estimated that at least another 20,000 Kurds had taken refuge in Iran without yet finding their way to the camps.

The Siryas camp staged a dramatic and highly emotional re-enactment of an incident for the foreign journalists visiting the camp.

The performance, depicting villagers bombed and strafed, ended with a call to the United Nations to intervene. Several of those watching wept.

Dr. Shaybani strongly denied suggestions that Iran was providing weapons.

The Red Lion and Sun Society has provided running water, food and specialized medical facilities at the refugee camps, which are in sparsely populated and largely barren areas dominated by mountains.

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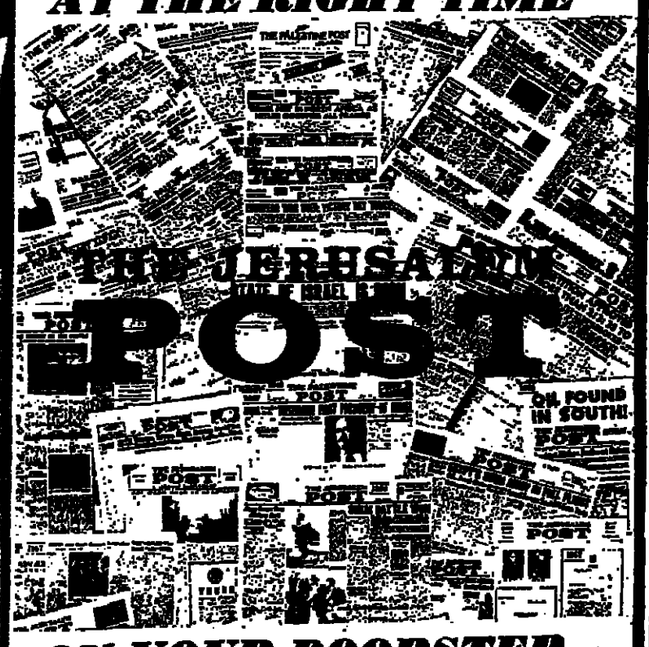

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Jews being led to their deaths — a scene from the film documentary, "The 81st Blow."

Last blow came after liberation

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"The 81st Blow," an Israel-produced two-hour documentary film on the rise of Hitlerism and the German attempt to annihilate the Jews in World War II, was premiered at the Jerusalem Theatre on Sunday night under the patronage of President Ephraim Katzir.

The film is a compilation of sequences from films and of still photographs shot during the period covered — mostly from German, but also from Jewish, sources. The soundtrack consists mostly of extracts from the testimony of witnesses at the 1961 Eichmann trial, pertaining to the sequences being shown, but also includes some original soundtrack from German newreels. In addition, Shuli Natan, of "Jerusalem of Gold" fame, sings several ballads written especially by Haim Guri and set to music by Yosef Mar-Haim.

The film was produced by Jacko Ehrlich, David Bergman and Guri, who also comprise the film's Editorial Board, together with Miriam Novitz and Zvi Schner. The entire production was sponsored by the Yitzhak Katznelson Beit Lohamei Hagetaot.

The by-invitation-only audience included the Prime Minister and Mrs. Yitzhak Rabin; former Prime Minister Golda Meir; Cabinet Ministers; Supreme Court Justices; Knesset Members; writers; Warsaw Ghetto revolt leaders Yitzhak "Antek" Cuckierman and his wife Zivia Lubetkin, and other Holocaust survivors.

The film was also premiered last Friday night at Kibbutz Lohamei Hagetaot, and will again be premiered tomorrow night at Kibbutz Ein Harod, at an assembly in memory of the three generations of men of the Shturman family who fell in the different Arab-Israel wars since the 1936-39 Arab riots, and on Thursday night at the Tel Aviv Cinema, under the patronage of Mayor Shlomo Lahat.

The title of the film refers to a story told by Michael "Mickey" Goldman, today a senior Israel Police officer. A Holocaust survivor, he reported many years ago that when he arrived here after World War II, and told of what he and his fellow Jews had undergone at the hands of the Germans, including that he had once been dealt 80 blows with a truncheon by a German S.S. man, people wouldn't believe him or didn't really want to listen. Someone had remarked: "That was the 81st blow."

AN ISRAELI P.o.W. IN SYRIA

PASSOVER IN BONDAGE

In this eighth instalment of the diary he smuggled out of Syria, Sergeant Gideon Ehrenhalt tells Post reporter Ya'acov Friedler how the prisoners in the Damascus prison celebrated Purim, Passover and Independence Day and how they marked Memorial Day.

CONDITIONS IN THE JAIL did not improve after the Red Cross visit on March 1. There were no longer any beatings, but things remained bad and we were still not permitted to send letters home, nor did we receive any from home. But at least we heard from the Red Cross representatives that our families knew we had been taken prisoner.

On March 8, we celebrated the Purim festival, with songs, jokes and a generally "very nice evening." We were doing our best to lead "normal" lives to keep up our morale, and the very fact that we were able to tell jokes in honour of Purim was a sign that we were succeeding.

We still had no idea when we might be released, and the Syrians "cheered us up" by assuring us that there was no chance of our ever getting back. As a sort of instinctive defence mechanism, we refrained from speaking about home to each other, or even to think about home too much. We felt that it would be better to think of other things and did our best to keep busy by playing games. We fashioned chess men out of pieces of soap and the silver paper off the cheese rations, and played as many games as we could think of.

At the end of March one of the senior warders came into our cell and distributed Red Cross letter forms to write home. It was a memorable day, March 24. The form has seven small lines, making it possible to write about 40 words. We gave a lot of thought about what to write, and how best to reassure our families. You can't get very much into 40 words but we managed to say that we were healthy and well and to ask how our families were. The Syrians gave us ball-point pens to write the letters, but took them back when we had finished.

Four days later we received the first mail from Israel; parcels from our families — towels, combs, soap and clean underwear, but no letters, nothing in writing. Next day, we were given our first reading material — English books, all of them Syrian propaganda, but they were better than nothing, they were something to read. They also gave us one Hebrew Bible, and that Bible became one of our most prized possessions. We used to pass it round, each reading a few chapters every day. The Syrian propaganda books we used for learning English, with those of us who knew the language a little teaching the others.

On March 31, we received our second Red Cross visit. It was a short call, but the men brought spectacles for the boys who had asked for them, and we were allowed to write another letter home.

Pessah was approaching but we were not sure of the exact date. We had been trying to keep track of the dates, civil and Hebrew, and we argued for some time whether Seder night would be on Friday or Saturday night. We finally decided to make a small Seder in our cell on Friday night and a big one, together with the boys in another cell on Saturday night. Through the good offices of the Red Cross the Syrians agreed.

The parcels we got on March 28 contained some matzot, but not enough to last all of us throughout the week of Passover. So we decided that the non-observant would relinquish their share in favour of the religious boys so that they would not have to eat bread on Pessach.

On the night of Friday, April 5, we held our Seder in the cell. One of the boys who knew parts of the Hagada by heart conducted the Seder, and we joined in the Passover songs. Next day, Saturday, the Syrians allowed the boys from the other cell, seven in all, to join us for the "full" seder. As though by a miracle, Hagadot from Israel arrived on Saturday morning, and we were able to have a proper Seder. We put a crate in the middle of the room, covered with a blanket, for the "seder table". We covered the matzot with a talith we had and we made a "Seder plate" from one of our plastic food plates. We had saved a bone from one of the meals, somehow got some lettuce leaves and had *haroseth* which arrived from Israel. We had no eggs, and we didn't need the bitter herbs, or *maror*, the other traditional ingredient of the Seder. We refrained from mentioning it to each other, but I'm sure that we all felt as I did, that out situation was bitter enough, without anything to remind us.

When we reached the point in the Hagada, where one recalls that "we were slaves", we tried to smile at each other. As the Hagadah says, each of us must consider himself as having been in bondage.

On April 15 we were allowed to write another letter home and that evening the Syrians brought us our first letters from home. I received two, but some of the boys didn't get any. It was a delicate situation, with some of us happy and others downcast. But we encouraged their hopes that soon they would hear from home, too.

Minute's silence

On April 24, Memorial Day for the Fallen of Israel's wars, we decided to mark the day with solemnity. No games, no jokes, no laughing. Everybody withdrew into his own thoughts. On the eve of the Day and at its end, we stood up to mark a minute's silence. We were prevented from observing a minute's silence in the morning, because the warders came in to shave us.

Next day we did our best to celebrate Independence Day. We stood up and sang "Hatikva." The Syrians did not react, but we were very conscious of the occasion — Israeli prisoners-of-war singing the National Anthem in a Syrian jail in the very capital of the country that is our bitterest enemy.

We were afraid the Syrians would somehow try to "avenge" themselves on us on Independence Day, but to our great surprise, the opposite happened. For the first time they opened our cell door and told us that we were free to go out into the prison yard. I don't think they realized that it was our Independence Day. From then on we were allowed into the yard every day for 15 minutes, and they were a precious 15 minutes for us. They gave us the chance to stretch ourselves, to run a little and to feel a bit "free" with the open sky above our heads.

On April 30, we received our first personal parcel, as opposed to the group parcel we had received the month before. Every one had a parcel from home, except the Druse from the Golan. So we decided that he should not be left out, and every one gave him something from his parcel. The parcels included all kinds of games, puzzles, chess, backgammon (shesh-besh) and a battery operated electric shaver for everyone. There were also foodstuffs, soup powder, coffee, peanuts, in a word "heaven."

That day the Syrians suddenly put the men from the other cell in with us, making us 41 men, in all, in addition to the parcels we were all enjoying. It became intolerably crowded and we decided to complain. The complaint helped and in the evening, we were separated again, and were again able to breathe.

Previous instalments of this diary appeared on July 19, July 26, August 2, August 9, August 16, August 23 and August 30.

THE FALASHAS OF ETHIOPIA

'Each man's dream is to bring his family to Israel'

Geoffrey Wigoder's JEWISH SCENE

HOW ARE RECENT developments in Ethiopia likely to affect the Falash community? According to David Kessler writing in the "Jewish Chronicle," there have been no reports of attacks on minorities, and the Jewish population has survived the successive disturbances without harm.

The changes in local government personnel have been broadly beneficial and, indeed, if the projected land reforms materialise all tenant farmers, including the Falashas, will stand to gain. Moreover the Ethiopian famine area is distant from the Falasha villages in the highlands and has not affected them.

It should also be mentioned that Haile Selassie, who has now been stripped of his powers, has at all times been understanding of the problems of the Falashas. He himself is regarded as the 225th in the line of direct descent of a union between Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, and already 50 years ago at the beginning of his reign, he wrote, "The Falashas in Ethiopia, even though their religion is different, are Ethiopian citizens since ancient times. We, who defend all members of the Ethiopian people, will defend the Falashas without regard for religion or tribe" — and he has been as good as his word.

Articles on the Falashas appear frequently in the Jewish press. Many deal with their customs and beliefs but some concentrate on their social and economic problems. David Kessler (chairman of the "Jewish Chronicle") has been particularly exercised by the threats to their survival, and is convinced that, unless help is forthcoming, they will soon disappear. The forces of assimilation weigh heavily and he blames world Jewry, which has known of their plight for the past century and has stood by and let them almost die out. (The truth is that all estimates of their numbers are guesswork. It is usually stated that they numbered a quarter of a million at the beginning of the century but nobody really knows. Similarly the generally accepted figure of 25,000 surviving today is guesswork in absence of a census. However, what does seem certain is the rapid depletion in their numbers.)

Kessler writes that assimilation is daily making new inroads, and in the primitive conditions of Ethiopia there are virtually no resources on which to fall back. They are desperately poor — even poorer than the average Ethiopian, and that is saying a lot. The average annual income of the Ethiopian population has been estimated by the United Nations at $45 per head, and that of the Falashas at $30.

They are almost exclusively farmers and artisans working in the most primitive conditions. Their religion is also looked down upon by their fellow countrymen. For the most part they are tenants of Christian landlords who charge exorbitant rents for their meagre plots of land. A pioneer attempt to settle some of them near the Sudanese frontier is in urgent need of technical aid. There is strong pressure to leave the villages either for the few cities or — if possible — for Israel.

These ambitions require minimal education — which in a country of 95 per cent illiteracy is not easy to achieve. Here there has been some contribution by Jewish organizations abroad (the Jewish Agency and the Jewish Colonization Association) which maintain 13 schools with 20 teachers. But the total educational budget is less than $12,000 a year and only one school reaches the sixth standard. If a Falasha wants to go on to secondary education, he must leave his village and go to a town. (Some go to high school, live in semi-isolation and walk home 50 kilometres every two weeks to obtain kasher food). It has been estimated that over 50 per cent of the boys who go to high schools become assimilated in the general population. They disguise their origins to obtain employment promotion.

The external pressure for assimilation comes from the activities of Protestant missionaries (mainly Church of England but Adventists and Lutherans). The rapid decline in the Falasha population is partial evidence of inroads made by the missions. However by the terms of agreement with the authorities Church of England missionaries are only allowed to convert the Falashas into the orthodox Coptic church and not to the Church of England itself.

A young Falasha

Further background is co[illegible] in an article by Michael G[illegible] the "Chronicle-Review" (pu[illegible] in Toronto). He was told th[illegible]ly the missionaries have n[illegible] successful in their campai[illegible] one told him that there ha[illegible] no baptisms in the last sh[illegible] This was in the village of A[illegible] where the mission maint[illegible] school and a clinic. The l[illegible] avoid the school and sen[illegible] children to their own schoo[illegible] they do use the clinic. [illegible] is rampant in Ethiopia and [illegible] are no less affected. Some [illegible]cent suffer from trachom[illegible] many from venereal dise[illegible] though considerably less tha[illegible] the average Ethiopian pop[illegible] and over half suffer from tr[illegible]sis.

He also writes that for [illegible] major topic of conversation [illegible]rael and *aliya*. They had [illegible] of questions relating to job[illegible]port (would they be helpe[illegible] to Israel as are the Russi[illegible] and the army (all want t[illegible] The desire to immigrate is [illegible] A missionary asked him, [illegible] with these people? Each m[illegible] dream is to bring his f[illegible] Israel — a place they kn[illegible] about and have never bee[illegible]

David Kessler reports [illegible] meeting in London under [illegible]pices of the Falashas' Welf[illegible]tion, which united repres[illegible] of leading Jewish phil[illegible] organizations with the com[illegible] of strengthening the mach[illegible] bringing aid — especiall[illegible]tional and medical — to [illegible] Jews. He reports a signi[illegible]velopment in that the [illegible] bodies have come to reco[illegible] right of Ethiopian Jews [illegible] considered worthy of assi[illegible] the same basis as Jews [illegible] countries. This recognitio[illegible] historical significance an[illegible] culmination of a struggle [illegible] been proceeding for over a[illegible] years. He concludes:

"Until salvation comes [illegible] form of organized *aliya*, [illegible]nizations abroad have [illegible] possible course — to tr[illegible] succour they can and try [illegible] the standard of living of [illegible] neglected and desperately [illegible]rished branch of the House [illegible]

DANCE NEWS

Dance library for Israel

ISRAEL will soon have a dance library. Anne Wilson, the American dancer who chairs the American Committee for a Dance Library in Israel, has announced that all practical details for a Dance Section in the AMLI Central Music Library of Tel Aviv have been completed. It will be the first public dance library in Israel and will be housed in the new music library building at 26 Rehov Bialik in Tel Aviv.

The curator of the AMLI Central Music Library, Zvi Avni, has formally accepted the dance library and agreed to provide adequate space. He has applied to the Tel Aviv Municipality for the salary of a part-time dance librarian. Max Targ, president of Americans for the Music Library in Israel, has offered to pay the costs of transporting dance materials from New York to Tel Aviv. There is already a large collection waiting at the reception point for gift material at Anne Wilson's address in New York. This will shortly be sent.

The library will include books, films, slides on dance, notated scores of dance works, photographs and drawings of dancers and dance performances and other things relating to dance. It is hoped that Israeli dancers and dance studios will make their needs for specific material known so that friends in the U.S.A. and elsewhere may try to meet these needs.

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"We were very pleased and very moved by the direct response of the audiences to us," said John Neumeier, the choreographer-director of the Hamburg Opera Ballet. "We didn't know about the demonstration outside the theatre in Jerusalem. It did not disturb us."

Asked how it was that so many dancers were not German-born, he said "Oh, that's thoroughly German nowadays. All the companies have members from all over the world."

DORA SOWDEN

Clumsy spoof

At the Cinema

Le Magnifique (Esther, Tel Aviv) is a spoof spy-thriller with Jean-Paul Belmondo doubling as an author of James Bond-like potboilers and his secret agent, Bob Saint-Clair, he writes about. As the author he is an unkempt, harassed man, fighting to meet his deadline and constantly asking his publisher for advances, and as Saint-Clair he is slick, sophisticated, elegantly dressed and, of course, invincible.

Jacqueline Bisset plays a sociology student who lives in the same apartment house as the author and with whom he falls in love. She is the model for Tatiana, the glamorous heroine of his story. Then there is Vittorio Caprioli who plays both the hardhearted, demanding publisher and the arch-villain of the book, Karpof, Chief of the Secret Service of the People's Republic of Albania.

The action is frenzied and the plot is so complicated it bewilders. The funniest moments are those when the author gets muddled up between his real life and the fantasy world he is creating. Occasionally, Belmondo displays some of his old charm, but on the whole the going is heavy handed, lacking director Philippe de Broca's usual lightness of touch.

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...le his mother was engaged in conversation this Florida streaker ...ded to cool off in the sprinkler. When mother checked to see who ... doing the streaking, she made a quick rescue or capture, depend... on your point of view. (UPI)

Uncle Willie is a hero

By Ilana Marshall

...J MIGHT RECALL my telling ... about my 74-year old Uncle ...ie who came to Israel as a ...nteer from the U.S. and worked ... Kibbutz Yad Mordechai as a ...ber's mate. Well, the war is ... and most of the volunteers ... gone home — but Uncle Willie ...ill here, has a regular job, and ...d a booby-trapped object before ...uld cause any harm.

...hen his services were no longer ...ed at the kibbutz, he took a ... in Ashkelon and decided that ...time had come for him to be ...real Israeli." He changed his ... status from tourist to new im...rant and began looking around ...a job. "Everywhere I went I ... told I was too old, even though ...a hale and hearty and able to do ...al day's work. Then I noticed ... there were old men regularly ...loyed around town as gardeners ... cleaners. I asked them how ... got their jobs and discovered ...eshakem." (An organization ...h exists solely for the purpose of finding or creating useful and suitable work for the elderly.

Given a choice of locations, Uncle Willie chose the central bus depot because "it sure needs a good clean-up job.

"Ashkelon is really a nice town and the first impression of visitors should be good. So I put on my cap, took up the broom and pan and push my little cart around. Sunday morning is the worst time — no one cleans on Shabbat of course, and it seems no one uses the trash bins either. Paper and seeds all over. Now when I see young people being careless, I admonish them to keep our country clean."

One day Uncle Willie, ever alert, noticed a soldier's canteen in the trash bin, and reached for it. But then he recalled his supervisor's warning not to pick up or touch anything that looked suspicious, which could be booby-trapped. Feeling a little foolish, but being cautious, he called the station manager, who looked at the object and called the police sappers. The canteen was expertly removed and upon examination, sure enough, it concealed an explosive device. Uncle Willie, who already has an enviable reputation hereabouts, was now also a hero.

New style house-and-mother for homeless children

By Lea Levavi
Jerusalem Post Reporter

INSTEAD OF GROWING up in an institution, 64 homeless children will live in a block of eight flats, in each of which a housemother will raise eight children of varying ages and of both sexes as "brothers and sisters." The housemother will — according to the planned concept — dedicate herself to the eight children in her care — "wiping noses, scolding and spanking when necessary, drying tears, being a mother in every respect." Though she will have a helper, the mother will be responsible for the housework and for cooking breakfast and supper; lunch will be prepared in a central kitchen for all eight flats.

This new project has been planned by Rosalind Henwood, a Hong Kong businesswoman, who will provide half the funds required to build and maintain this experimental facility in Tel Aviv. The other half of the required funds will be provided by the Israel Government and the project will be run by the Tel Aviv Working Mothers' Association.

"I picked Israel because I think this young country is the perfect place for a new idea," Mrs. Henwood, who is of mixed Jewish-Filipino parentage, explained. (Since her mother is not Jewish, she is not a Jew.) "When I came here in 1971, I met Ora Namir (M.K. and Secretary-General of the Tel Aviv Working Mothers' Association) and I was most impressed with her and with the work of her organization. I suggested my idea and they liked it. It's been hard to get things moving but after 26 days here I think that now the project will really get off the ground."

Mrs. Henwood, who referred to herself as "just an ordinary businesswoman like everyone else," was reluctant to talk about herself and her background and preferred to talk about her idea. "Actually, I don't think I should get publicity. The Working Mothers' Association is going to really run the project; I'm just providing the money and the idea."

"I'm dead set against institutions. I've worked with children for 20 years — teaching problem children to relate to other children — and I see how children can develop when given individual care. In the facility we're building here, each flat will be like a family, with children of different ages living together. When they go to school or play on the street they will be with children from homes where one or both parents are present. Our kids, we hope, will grow up to be normal, responsible citizens without hang-ups."

In addition to her volunteer work with problem children in Hong Kong, Mrs. Henwood tried to run a facility there for Chinese children, similar to the one being planned here, but became discouraged because the children were sent out to work at an early age. "But I saw how attached these children became to the Chinese domestic who worked in the house and in our case here — where the woman will be on a higher level and will be a real mother figure — the results will be that much better, I'm sure. Also, here my instructions will be followed and I envisage boys staying until they go into the army and girls staying until they get married or get a job and go out on their own."

Mrs. Henwood refused to disclose figures on the amount of money involved in the project. "Costs have risen tremendously since I started discussing the project, so how can I give you figures? But whatever I donate, the government will match dollar for dollar."

In addition to building and furnishing a block of eight four-bedroom flats (the largest bedroom in each flat will be for the housemother and the other three will house 5, 3 and 2 children) funds are needed to pay the housemothers' salaries, to pay the nurse and secretary who will be employed at the facility, to run the central kitchen and to provide washing machines, driers and other equipment to be shared by the eight mothers.

"I hope the building will be up within two years. My own hope is that after it has been in operation for a year the government will be enthusiastic and will enable us to put up more buildings on the same site."

Hearings on birth control device

WASHINGTON (AP). — Dr. Robert Snowden, a social scientist with Exeter University in England, cautioned U.S. authorities not to move precipitously against the Dalkon Shield or other IUDS at an unusual open hearing last month — before the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The IUDs are generally considered to be safer than contraceptive pills.

Removal or restrictions on the availability of IUDs (Intra-Uterine Devices) would "change the contraception life-style of millions of women around the world," Dr. Snowden warned.

No deaths were experienced in the more than 6,000 women fitted with Dalkon Shields in a British family planning research project over the last few years, he said.

The Population Council testified that IUDs are, in balance, safer than all other forms of contraception, although somewhat less effective than birth control pills.

The FDA opened the two-day inquiry by reporting that it now knows of 36 deaths associated with IUDs, 8.8 million of which have been marketed since 1966.

The Dalkon Shield was associated with 11 of the deaths and 209 cases of septic abortion or miscarriage involving uterine infections, the FDA said.

The good life and gripes in America

By Nechemia Meyers

...ERICA IS FULL of sur...s, even for someone like ...f who was born there and ... the country from time to ... discovered, to take just one ...ple, that American patriotism ...espite the traumas of Vietnam ... Watergate — is back in ...on. Some, certainly, is of the ...ferent "love it or leave it" va... But most is quieter, warmer, ... attractive.

...is was evident at a Fourth of ... block party I attended in a ...le-class Los Angeles neigh...hood. The residents of one long, ...lined street closed it off at ... ends so that it could be used ...bicycle races, hot dog stands, ...orks and a magician's show. ...had decorated their front yards ... flags and bunting; all were ...on the street to celebrate the ...ay.

... the opposite end of the con...t — in Plymouth, Massachu... — I watched thousands of ... Americans proudly touring ... Mayflower II, Plymouth Rock ... the Plymouth Plantation. The plantation was particularly interesting because its staff — dressed in pilgrim costumes — were growing and cooking the same foods, and keeping house in the same way as had the first settlers in the 1620s.

Altogether America is a much less turbulent place than it was a few years ago. University students, instead of rioting, are studying or carrying out madcap experiments. At M.I.T., for instance, engineering students recently launched the world's largest yo-yo. Constructed from two 26-inch bicycle wheels, it was dropped off the roof of a 21-storey building. Unfortunately, the yo-yo failed to rise again to the top. But the students haven't given up. Now they are reportedly constructing the world's largest frisbee.

The situation of Blacks has also changed dramatically. Although most still live in festering slums, one cannot but notice how many have "made it." Everywhere I encountered middle-class Blacks, in banks and insurance companies, at symphony concerts and at formerly restricted resorts.

Many Jews seem to feel that Black progress has been made primarily at their expense. Qualified Jews, I was told, can't obtain many of the professorships and civil service positions they might have got a decade ago because these have been reserved for Blacks. Yet Jews are still disproportionately represented in prestige jobs and in some cases have themselves, like Blacks, broken into new areas. It would have been hard to imagine, in the 40s or 50s, for instance, that both "Time" and Dupont would be run by Jews from Vienna and Minneapolis respectively.

While things Jewish are not as "in" as they were some time ago, when Jewish themes and authors dominated the best-seller lists, Jews themselves seem — for the most part — to be readily accepted. This was evident along the beautiful California coastline, south of San Francisco, where I suddenly spotted a huge Israeli flag hanging from a Redwood tree. Quickly making a U-turn, I drove my car past the tree and up a winding road, expecting to come upon some Jewish camp at the end. Instead I found a couple of homes and a smiling, middle-aged lady, who asked me whether I was lost. "No," I said, "I saw the flag and, being Israeli, wondered what it meant."

"Oh," she replied cheerfully, "the explanation is simple. Our new Jewish son-in-law is coming here for his first visit, and we want to make him feel at home."

While this type of flamboyant welcome is unusual, inter-marriage is not. Most middle-aged Jews to whom I spoke, particularly in university towns, had at least one child who had "married out." There was usually another who was dancing with a Hari Krishna troupe or had been hooked — on Zen or drugs. Even those who married Jews often had decided to remain childless since children, they explained, interfered with their "life style."

To be sure, there are committed Jews desperately trying to stem the tidal wave of assimilation. The 6,000 Jews of Omaha, Nebraska, striving for togetherness, have just built a $6-million Jewish centre, complete with a theatre, two swimming pools (indoor and outdoor), a sauna, a library and every other refinement money could buy. But in order to meet operating costs and still Gentile criticism (it is Omaha's most lavish recreational facility), the organizers have been forced to take in many non-Jewish members.

Questions of Jewish survival aside, there is much in the U.S. for an Israeli to envy — not only the two-door refrigerators at one-fourth what they cost us, or the private swimming pools and multi-car garages, attractive though they may be. Far more appealing to this Israeli is the lack of friction in day-to-day relationships. When a shop girl routinely smiled and said "have a good day," I could not but compare her with her Israeli counterpart, who dispenses smiles and good wishes — if at all — only to her boy friend.

AS TYPICAL Israeli TV addicts, my children had one major objective during the trip: to visit Ironside's San Francisco headquarters.

No sooner had we reached the Bay Area than the search began, only to end in tearful failure. There is still, to be sure, an Ironside (or a Raymond Burr if you will). But the headquarters into which Israeli TV fans delightedly peer on Saturday nights is, alas, no more. Torn down 10 years ago to make way for a gigantic new hotel, it exists only on Hollywood celluloid.

However, there were compensations for the young, like Disneyland and Sea World, ice skating and fishing, 15 varieties of pizza and 31 flavours of ice cream.

Less attractive are the public displays of smut: street after street lined with hard-porn "adult" movie theatres and news-stands dominated by lavishly illustrated "adult" magazines. Even ultra-respectable newspapers like the "New York Times" and the "Washington Post" give high visibility to ads for "adult" entertainment, without bothering to place them at a suitable distance from their ads for Disney films.

A primary concern of everybody is inflation. To a visiting Israeli, the grumbling sounds ridiculous. Why should they worry when food prices go up "only" 10 or 11 per cent in six months? Why should they complain about the cost of clothing, when jeans sell for half what they do here?

Another matter of obvious concern is pollution, particularly in smog-smothered Southern California. In Los Angeles I listened daily and very intently to the smog reports in order to learn whether smog during the next 24 hours would be moderate (which means limited visibility on freeways and smarting eyes) or heavy (which means that people with respiratory difficulties should stay indoors).

In New York and other Eastern cities I found conversation centring on urban crime — discussions about who had been mugged last week and which streets were relatively safe during the early evening. People, particularly the elderly, tend to affix four locks to their front doors, and sometimes keep ill-tempered dogs on the premises (which presumably explains why dog bites in the U.S. have gone up 65 per cent over the last decade.)

Many cities, fortunately, have not only serious problems, but also the vigorous young leaders who may be able to solve them. In Minneapolis, for instance, a 29-year-old city council member told me that three other recently-elected council members are younger than himself. In less than a year the new council has spurred economic and cultural development, banned discrimination against homosexuals (it was already banned against women and Blacks) and — of special interest to Israelis — passed a resolution condemning the Soviet Government's anti-Jewish policies.

Tom Bradley, the Black mayor of predominantly White Los Angeles, makes an equally good impression. His low-key leadership has clearly enabled him to win the admiration of the white population without losing the confidence of his fellow Negroes. Indeed the only political issue that seemed to be agitating Angelenos when I was there was whether nude bathing should be permitted at Venice, a local beach.

Playing it safe, Bradley had not expressed himself publicly on the question, but another politico had stepped bravely into the fray. A U.C.L.A. gal running for Governor on a far-Left ticket not only supported the right of bathers to remove their clothing, but did so herself when she campaigned on the beaches of Venice. Despite her courageous efforts and excellent figure, she is still not regarded as a threat to fully-clothed Democrats and Republicans.

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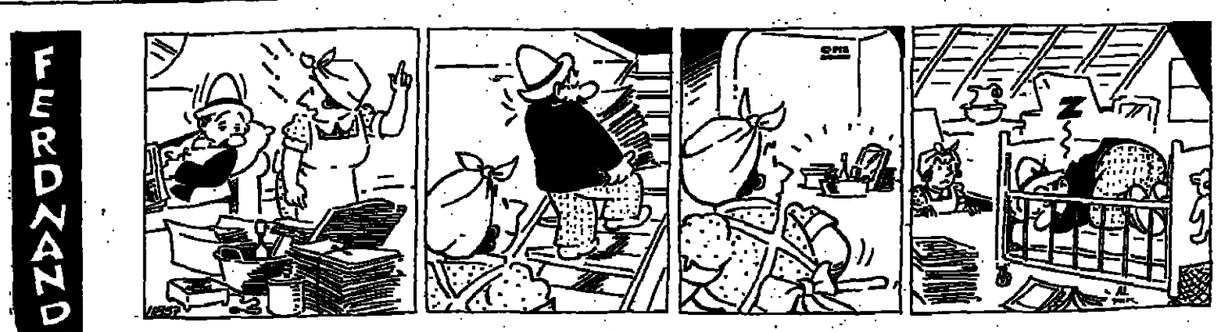

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JERUSALEM: (day) Ruhama, 31 David Yellin, 222788; (evening) Maalot Dafna, Maalot Dafna 129, 281804; Jerusalem Grand, Haroun Rashid, 283333.
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Religious Services

Shabbat begins:

In Jerusalem	6.31 p.m.
In Tel Aviv	6.39 p.m.
In Haifa	6.35 p.m.

and ends:

In Jerusalem	7.34 p.m.
In Tel Aviv	7.36 p.m.
In Haifa	7.35 p.m.

Parasha: Ki Tavo: Deuteronomy 26-29:8.
Haftara: Isaiah 60.

JERUSALEM

Yeshurun Synagogue: Today: Minha, 6.45 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.00 a.m. Minha Gdola, 1.15 p.m. Mishna B'rura 5.55 p.m. Minha 6.35 p.m. Arvit 7.35 p.m. Selihot 10.30 p.m.

Hechal Shlomo: Today: Minha 6.45 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow. Shahrit 8.00 a.m. Minha 6.35 p.m. Arvit 7.35 p.m. Selihot 10.00 p.m. Selihot daily 5.45 p.m.

Emet V'EMUNA :Rehov Narkiss 11): Tonight: 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.15 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Yisrael Loewenstein.

Yeshivat Hakotel (Old City): Tonight: Minha, 6.40 p.m. Traditional march to the Wall followed by Kabbalat Shabbat, 7.10 p.m. Arvit (at the Synagogue), 8.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 7.30 a.m. Minha, 1.30 p.m. Arvit 7.45 p.m. Sunday: Selihot 12.15 a.m.

Mevakshei Derech (14 Ibn G'virol) Independent Congregational discussion on D'var Torah-Shabbat and holidays 9.00 a.m.

Italian Synagogue (Rehov Hillel): Tonight: Minha 6.45 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

Chabad Lubavich Synagogue (Rehov Chabad, Jewish Quarter, Old City): Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8.30 a.m. Kiddush following services.

Sephardi Synagogues-Eibas (Old City): Tonight: Minha, 6.45 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Sephardi Minyan, 7.30 Ashkenazi Minyan. 8.00 a.m. Minha 6.35 p.m.

Beit Knesset Mercazi, Talbieh: (14 Rehov Hovevei Zion, Talbieh); Tonight: 6.45 p.m.

Bar-El Synagogue (Progressive Judaism) 16 Rehov Shmuel Hanagid, near Bezalel Museum. Tonight: 6.30 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi Kenneth Rivkin. Tomorrow: 9.30 a.m.

World Council of Synagogues (Conservative) at United Synagogue of America Centre: Rehov Agron 4, Tonight: Kabbalat Shabbat 6.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Jack Cohen. Selihot 10.00 p.m.

Congregation Migdol Hashoshanim (22 Rehov Pinsker) Tonight: Minha 6.45 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit 8.00 a.m. Lecture on Pirkei Avot (in English) 5.35 p.m. Minha 6.35 p.m. Shiur in Talmud 7.30 p.m.

Young Israel (28 Rehov Ben-Tzion, Givat Shaul). Tonight: 6.45 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit 8.00 a.m. Minha 6.35 p.m.

Young Israel (Rehov Bar Yohai 47, Katamon). Tonight: 6.36 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

Young Israel (Block 107, Sanhedria Murhevet). Tonight. 6.36 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

Young Israel (Rehov Hapisgah, Bayit Vegan). Tonight: 6.36 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

Hebrew Union College (Rehov David Hamelech 13). Saturday: 10.00 a.m.

TEL AVIV

The Great Synagogue (110 Allenby Road). Tomorrow: Shahrit, 7.30 a.m.

Ihud Shivat Zion (88 Rehov Ben Yehuda). Tonight: Minha 6.54 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 and 8.30 a.m. Minha 6.40 p.m.

Ihud Shivat Zion (Biej Hamore, Rehov Nathan Strauss 5). Tonight: Minha 6.54 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.00 a.m., Minha 6.40 p.m.

Kehilat Sinai (Conservative, B'nai Brit House, 10 Rehov Kaplan, corner Hameasfim). Tomorrow: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Parashat Hashavua: Rabbi David Weiss.

Kedem Synagogue (Progressive Judaism, 20 Rehov Carlebach): Tonight: 6.30 p.m. Tomorrow: 9.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Moshe Zemer.

Beit Haknesset Geulat Yisrael (Rehov Mercaz Ba'alei Melacha 16). Tonight: 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m.

Kehilat Ramat Aviv (Progressive Judaism: Jacob-Efter Hall, Peretz Naphtali bldg. T.A. University): Tonight 6.45 p.m. Sermon: Mr. Shai Etan.

RAMAT GAN

Hatechiya Synagogue: Tonight 6.50 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit 7.45 a.m. Parashat Hashavua: Mr. Barkol. Minha 6.40 p.m. Shiur Gemara, Mr. Weizman.

Emeth Ve'anava Congregation (Progressive Judaism): 57 Derech Jabotinsky. Friday: 7.00 p.m. Saturday: 8.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi T. Ben-Shorin.

Beth Haknesset Ramat Hen (5 Rehov Ramat Hen); Friday: Minha 7.30 p.m. Saturday: Shahrit, 7.45 a.m.

SAVYON

Tiferet Yitzchak Synagogue (6, Rehov Hadarom). Tonight 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

KFAR SABA

Hamiyan Hahadash (Shechunat Eliezer). Tonight: 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow: 7.30 a.m. Selihot 11.00 p.m.

PETAH TIKVA

Young Israel (Ramat Werber School Rehov Anderson): Tonight: 6.54 p.m. Tomorrow: Talmud: 7.00 a.m. Services: 8.00 a.m.

KIRON

Young Israel (Rehov Shlomo Hamelech) Friday: 6.54 p.m. Saturday: 8.00 a.m.

KFAR SHMARYAHU

Beit Haknesset Hechal Habanim: Tonight: 6.30 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Shmuel Avidor Hacohen.

HERZLIYA

Young Israel (Hotel Hod, Rehov Hanassi) Tonight: 6.54 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.30 a.m.

NETANYA

Beth Yisrael (Conservative). (18 Rehov Rav Kook). Tonight: 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow: 9.00 a.m.

Netanya Progressive Congregation — (16 Rehov Smilansky). Tonight: 5.45 p.m.

New Synagogue (7, McDonald St.) Friday: 6.45 p.m. Saturday: 8.00 a.m. Saturday evening 6.45 p.m. followed by study group. Sermon: Rabbi Emmanuel Froman.

HAIFA

Moriah Congregation (7 Rehov Horeb). Ahuza. Tonight: 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Charles Siegel.

Haifa Progressive Congregation Or Hadash (New Beit Rothschild, Sderot Hanassi, Mercaz Hacarmel). Friday: 5.30 p.m. Saturday: 9.00 a.m. Sermon.

RISHON LEZION

Young Israel (34 Rehov Hanotrim). Tonight 6.54 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.30 a.m.

Young Israel (Shikun Beit). Tonight: 6.54 p.m. Tomorrow Shahrit, 8.00 a.m.

REHOVOT

Adat Shalom Synagogue (Conservative) (B'nai Brit Hall, 188b Rehov Herzl). Tonight: 7.00 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit 8.30 a.m. Sermons: Rabbi Meir Ydit.

ASHKELON

Kehilat Netzach Yisrael (Bataheva Gerbovov Community Centre, Derech Ya'acov Chaham, corner Harel, Afridar). Tonight: Kabbalat Shabbat, 6.30 p.m. Saturday: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Pinhas Spectre.

BEERSHEBA

Family Congregation of Omer (Conservative) (Omer School Auditorium): Kabbalat Shabbat 7.00 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi Michael Graetz.

Young Israel (Shikun Beit). Tonight: 6.54 p.m. Tomorrow Shahrit, 8.00 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SERVICES

St. George's Cathedral (Anglican, Nablus Road, Jerusalem) Sunday: Holy Communion 8.00 p.m. (English). Morning Worship (Arabic) 9.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist and Sermon (English) 11 a.m. Evensong and Sermon (English) 6.00 p.m. Daily (Mon. to Sat.) Holy Communion. 7.00 a.m. Evensong 6.00 p.m.

Baptist Congregation (Rehov Narkis, Jerusalem): Saturday Services. Bible Study: 9.45 a.m. Worship 11.00 a.m.

Church of Christ (across street from Rockefeller Museum). Bible Classes: 10.00 a.m. Worship: 11.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. Wednesday: Bible Classes. 6.00 p.m.

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Lutheran Church (Muristan Rd., Old City, Jerusalem).
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Immanuel Lutheran Church (Rehov Eilat behind Old Law Court, Tel Aviv). Saturday: 11.00 a.m.

Evangelical Episcopal (Anglican) Currch (Jaffa, Beer Hoffman Street, off Rehov Eilat): Sunday: Evening Service, 8.00 p.m. Tuesday: Bible Study (Tel. 821459).

Herzliya (Tel. 938556). Sunday, 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion, 9.30 a.m. Family Service.

Christian Science Service, Hilton Hotel, Tel Aviv. Sunday: 11 a.m.

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"Shalhevetyah" — Finnish School (Lutheran) (25 Rehov Shivtei Israel). Saturday 10.30 a.m. Service in Hebrew: Sunday 7.30 p.m. Bible Study in Hebrew.

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International Evangelican Church (55 Street of the Prophets, Jerusalem). Sunday: Worship: 9.00 a.m. Evening Fellowship, 7.30 p.m., Wednesday: Bible Study, 7.30 p.m.

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SPORTS ABROAD — BERNIE BERNIKER

Soviet hoopsters down U.S. team

THE SOVIET UNION National Basketball Team beat the U.S. All-Stars 79-70 on Wednesday with Alexander Salnikov scoring 36 points for the Russian team. The win evened up the series being played in Seattle with one victory for each team.

The U.S. team, looking ragged at times, fell behind by as much as 11 points in the first half as Salnikov hit five of nine field goal attempts.

David Thompson, the American team's best player, failed on all four of his tries from the field and had only three points at the end of the first 20 minutes.

The game saw tempers flare, as coaches and players from both sides swarmed onto the floor but were restrained by referees and the other players.

There also had been a protest from the Russians with seven minutes to play in the first half when Soviet coach Vladimir Kondrashin apparently was protesting the flailing elbows of some of the U.S. players.

Rich Kelly was high scorer for the Americans with 14 points.

The series resumes tonight in Spokane as a part of the Expo '74 World's Fair entertainment.

In the first game of the series American collegiate basketball stars using superior speed and quickness, defeated the Soviet national team 104-77 on Tuesday night in Los Angeles.

BASEBALL

NOLAN RYAN has became the first pitcher in modern baseball history to strike out 300 batters in three consecutive seasons. He achieved the record last Friday when the California Angels trimmed the Milwaukee Brewers 9-2.

California's fireballing Ryan pitched a seven-hitter and struck out nine Brewers for a season total of 304. Ryan struck out 329 batters in 1972 and a Major League record 383 last year for a two-year total of 712, also a record.

STANDINGS AFTER WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	72	63	.533	—
New York	72	63	.533	—
Baltimore	70	65	.519	2
Cleveland	67	67	.500	4½
Milwaukee	65	73	.474	8
Detroit	63	73	.463	9½
West				
Oakland	79	58	.577	—
Texas	72	66	.522	7½
Kansas City	69	67	.507	9½
Chicago	68	69	.496	11
Minnesota	67	70	.489	12
California	53	84	.387	26

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	73	63	.537	—
St. Louis	72	65	.526	1½
Philadelphia	66	70	.485	7
New York	65	71	.478	8
Montreal	61	75	.455	11
Chicago	55	78	.414	16½
West				
Los Angeles	85	51	.625	—
Cincinnati	83	54	.606	2½
Atlanta	77	61	.558	9
Houston	69	67	.507	16
San Francisco	63	75	.455	22½
San Diego	54	83	.362	30

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Batting
(Based on 325 at-bats.)

	AB	R	H	Pct
Carew, Minnesota	502	73	155	.309
Hargrove, Texas	340	50	117	.344
Orta, Chicago	427	66	136	.319
Yastrzemski, Boston	435	81	137	.315
McRae, K.C.	437	61	137	.314
Randle, Texas	435	58	135	.310
Jackson, Oakland	424	77	130	.307
Fisiella, N.Y.	421	59	129	.306
Maddox, N.Y.	357	59	109	.305
Allen, Chicago	445	83	134	.301
Robinson, Baltimore	435	57	131	.301

RUNS — Allen, Chi., 83; Yastrzemski, Bost., 81; Grich, Balt., 76; Jackson, Oak., 77; Otis, K.C., 76.

RUNS BATTED IN — Burroughs, Texas, 108; Bando, Oak., 88; Allen, Chi., 86; Rudi, Oak., 84; Jackson, Oak., 83.

HITS — Carew, Minn., 185; Davis, Balt., 149; Money Mil., 149; Scott, Mil., 147; Rudi, Oak., 146.

HOME RUNS — Allen, Chi., 32; Jackson, Oak., 27; Burroughs, Texas, 25; Tenace, Oak., 22; Melton, Chi., 27; Mayberry, K.C., 21.

STOLEN BASES — North, Oak., 46; Patek, K.C., 31; Lowenstein, Cle., 30; Rivers, Cal., 30; Carew, Minn., 30.

PITCHING (13 decisions) — Fitzmorris, K.C., 10-4, .714, 3.05; Tiant, Bost., 20-9, .69, 2.87; Hunter, Oak., 21-10, .667, 2.73; G. Perry, Cle., 17-9, .654, 2.86; Jenkins, Texas, 20-11, .645, 3.13; Hiller, Det., 16-9, .625, 2.17; Cuellar, Bal., 16-10, .615, 3.49; Busby, K.C., 19-12, .613, 3.48.

STRIKEOUTS — Ryan, Cal., 304; Blyleven, Minn., 204; Lolich, Det., 186; Jenkins, Texas, 181; G. Perry, Cle., 173.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Batting
(Based on 325 at-bats.)

	AB	R	H	Pct
Garr, Atlanta	568	78	202	.356
Zisk, Pittsburgh	441	64	147	.329
Garvey, L.A.	532	80	173	.325
Oliver, Pittsburgh	494	77	157	.318
Brock, St. Louis	519	85	164	.316
Smith, St. Louis	412	62	130	.315
Buckner, L.A.	463	65	145	.313
Gross, Houston	478	66	148	.310
Cardenal, Chicago	432	63	133	.308
Montanez, Phila	403	42	124	.308

RUNS — Morgan, Cin., 95; Schmidt, Phi. 94; Rose, Cin., 91; Wynn, L.A., 69; Bench, Cin., 88.

RUNS BATTED IN — Bench, Cin., 105; Schmidt, Phi., 89; Wynn, L.A., 95; Garvey, L.A., 93; Cedeno, Houst., 89.

HITS — Garr, Atlanta, 202; Garvey, L.A., 127; Cash, Phi., 167; Brock, St. L., 164; Oliver, Pitts., 157.

HOME RUNS — Schmidt, Phi., 33; Wynn, L.A., 29; Bench, Cin., 27; Cedeno, Houst., 23; Perez, Cin., 22.

STOLEN BASES — Brock, St. L., 63; Lopes, L.A., 55; Morgan, Cin., 54; Cedeno, Houst., 46; Lintz, Mont., 35.

PITCHING (13 decisions) — John, L.A., 13-3, .813, 2.58; Caldwell, S.F., 13-3, .813, 2.97; Messersmith, L.A., 16-5, .726, 2.49; Carroll, Cin., 10-4, 7.14, 2.63; Billingham, Cin., 17-8, .680, 3.27; Rau, L.A., 12-6, .667, 3.06; McGlothen, St. L., 15-8, .652, 2.64; Sosa, S.F., 9-5, .643, 3.02.

STRIKEOUTS — Carlton, Phi., 192; Messersmith, L.A., 181; Seaver, N.Y., 156; Gullett, Cin., 156; Koosman, N.Y., 155.

DAVIS CUP

ITALY accepted on Wednesday night the ruling of the Davis Cup committee that it must play its interzone semifinal in South Africa.

Giorgio Neri, president of the Italian Tennis Federation, said Italy would not appeal the committee's ruling, announced earlier in the day in New York. Italy had pleaded that the matches be held in a neutral nation.

"We will defend our chances in South Africa," Neri said. "We have a duty for sports to go there for our youngsters."

ASIAN GAMES

PAKISTAN will stage the 1978 Asian Games in their capital city of Islamabad, the Asian Games Federation has decided.

The decision was made after Vijay Kumar Malhotra, chief of the Indian delegation, officially withdrew his country's candidacy and proposed Pakistan instead.

TRACK & FIELD

VALERY BORZOV, THE FLYING RUSSIAN of the 1972 Olympics regained his winning form on Tuesday after a spell of poor performances and retained his 100-metre title in 10.27 seconds at the European track and field championships.

But two other Olympic gold medallists were beaten at Olympic Stadium in Rome.

Renate Stecher of East Germany, who like Borzov won two gold medals in the sprints at Munich, failed to hold Irena Szewinska of Poland in the women's 100 metres. The long-legged Polish girl sped home in 11.13 seconds, with Stecher one-tenth of a second behind in second place.

Vladimir Golubnichi of the Soviet Union won the 20-kilometre race in 1 hour, 29 minutes, 30.03 seconds with Olympic champion Peter Frenkel of East Germany nowhere in sight.

Ruth Fuchs, East German javelin star, posted the first world record of the games. She raised her own world mark from 216 feet, 10½ inches to 220' 6¼" and won the gold medal with a margin of more than two feet over her nearest rival.

CRICKET

LEICESTERSHIRE, skippered by former England cricket captain Ray Illingworth, won the John Player League title for the first time on Sunday — without needing to bat.

An afternoon downpour of rain at Leicester forced the umpires to abandon a top-of-the-league clash with Somerset.

Illingworth's men thus were unable to reply to Somerset's total of 162 for nine in the one-off match, and Leicestershire cruised to the title with two points from a no-decision game.

Leicestershire had accumulated a total of 54 league points and Somerset can no longer catch up, even with one match to play on Sunday.

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stocks in strong advance

YORK (AP). — Renewed for easier money propelled stock market to a strong ad- yesterday.

ners held almost a two to one on losers at the New York Exchange.

e Wednesday the Federal Re- Board announced it was ng the amount of funds it es banks to hold in reserve st some large certificates of t.

The action was not expected to have any immediate impact on interest rates, but many investors appeared to regard it as a signal that the Federal Reserve might have loosened its tight money policy a notch.

Analysts also noted that the market has been especially volatile lately, with prices at deeply depressed levels and investors uneasily studying economic prospects.

(Quotations were not received owing to bad transmission.)

U.S. plans to store 'buffer food stocks'

By SOL SANDERS

HINGTON. — A debate of l importance to the rest of world, and especially to the ping countries with food de- is going on within the Ameri- ureaucracy. Like so many subjects, the decision was for vershadowed by Watergate.

ral fundamental questions are debated and while they can ted fairly simply, there is no rity about their definition or outcome:

ould the U.S. go all out for od production, risking huge es that would have to be ?

ho is to pay the price of ring these "buffer stocks," are created — the Ameri- xpayer, as in times past, or countries which would use n time of emergency?

hat are the moral and poli- al implications of an all-out tion in American agriculture h in relation to U.S. adver- in the Communist bloc and deficit countries of Asia, and Latin America?

d what will such a policy for the American consumer with rapidly increasing costs d along with other day-to- cessities as inflation spirals little hope that it can be t under control in the im- future?

tary of Agriculture Earl the controversial eye in the of the storm. Butz has stood uare for a policy of "mar- ocesses" — that is, letting and demand dictate the price re of American agriculture. publicly extremely proud r the first time in some 40 the U.S. Government is pay- subsidies to farmers this ot to plant acreage. Because e enormous demand — ly from the Russians and nese — for wheat and other ins last year, the Govern- olds no stocks nor is it buy- in.

Mr. Butz's critics say the is fraught with danger. They ut that the Russians and have some $800 million in orders on the books — that tion of these for political could wreck the U.S. grain , the only relatively free mar- cereals in the world. They uestion Mr. Butz's "open policy. They say it has let a's own wheat reserves run usly low, that a crisis sit- abroad could not be met to develop suddenly and, in he policy leaves the U.S. at the mercy of an unpre- world market situation due aries of weather, money, de- projections, etc.

Kissinger has got into the well. He has appointed for- mbassador to the European ic Community. William Mar- head a special State De- t task force on food. Mar- roup is to come up with a olicy at the forthcoming Nations Food Conference ed for Rome this autumn. o secret that Kissinger sees the incredible U.S. capacity to grow food — the wheat crop this year is expected to be at least 24 per cent larger than last year's record crop — as an important and powerful weapon in U.S. international diplomacy. Kissinger seems to be indicating a U.S. policy which would, at least to some extent, support the proposals coming out of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) for a world food buffer.

That plea — always a forceful one to the vast American public which, despite its own demands, has always been generous in supplying the needy around the world with food — has been blunted in many circles by India's diverting huge amounts of resources to nuclear experimentation that might better go toward staving off famine. Furthermore, there is a more sophisticated attitude among "developmental economists" who argue that the U.S. dumping of wheat surpluses in the 1950s and 1960s encouraged many developing countries, India foremost, into virtually ignoring the problem of agricultural development and even into putting very scarce resources into highly inefficient attempts at "import substitution" through forced industrialization.

Hanging over all this is the bitter memory of the U.S. surplus problems of the 1950s and 1960s when at one time something like $1m. of the taxpayers' funds was being spent each day to maintain the huge amounts of agricultural surplus in storage. Not only was this an enormous burden on the taxpayer, but the huge backlog of cereals acted as a depressant on the market, or, according to U.S. agricultural interests, keeping prices of grain down and below economic cost to the farmer.

Experts on the international food problem, such as Canada's David Hopper who heads the prestigious Canadian International Development Research Centre in Ottawa, do not see this situation developing again for one simple reason: The need in the developing countries is growing so rapidly, because of population increase and failure to solve food problems in such countries as India, Pakistan, Indonesia, and the sub-Saharan African belt, that even U.S. and Canadian fertility will not suffice to staunch it.

The U.S. AID Programme is asking for some $999m. for Fiscal Year 1975 which began July 1, 1974, for the purchase and distribution of food to the needy overseas, either through the U.S. charitable organizations (CARE, etc.) or through government sales for low interest, extremely long-term loans, or grants, or for local currency.

Hopper and others have pointed out that the increasing demand for world food is largely the result of rising living standards — for example, the incredibly rapid demand for meat protein in the U.S., Western Europe, Communist Eastern Europe and even the Soviet Union, as well as Japan. And one argument you hear in Washington is that the Europeans, particularly, who are more dependent on the buffer stocks than anyone else, should pay the greater part of the costs of maintaining them if North America grows the food. *(FWF)*

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Price on September 5

Unit	price %	Market Price %	Redemption Price %
BAR	227.9	264.8	271.4
ZZ	116.8	113.3	114.1
AN	153.84	—	150.08
F	96.44	—	93.98

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SEASIDE SHOCKS FOR ITALY

By DAVID WILLEY

ROME (Ofns). — As millions of Italian and foreign tourists flock to the beaches at the height of the holiday season they are finding that it is becoming an increasingly costly, uncomfortable and even dangerous business to have a swim in the Mediterranean.

Beach concessionaires have grabbed most of Italy's best beaches and charge excessive sums for the right to sit under an umbrella in a deckchair in some popular resorts. Tourists are gladly paying IL900 a month to rent a tiny beach cabin and a couple of deck-chairs. The privilege includes sharing the beach with hundreds of other sun-worshippers in conditions that resemble a refugee camp. It has been calculated that the average amount of space per bather in the more popular resorts on the Ligurian coast in the area around Genoa is just over one square metre—just about enough to stretch out in.

The Italian civil law code says that the 5,000 miles of coastline is inalienable public properly. Why then is it necessary to run the gauntlet of fenced-off beaches and phalanxes of deckchairs, bathing huts and men in white caps charging exorbitant admission fees before one can have a swim?

The answer appears to be a Ministerial decree whittling away public rights along the seashore to a nullity. Although the decree states that there must be public access to the beach every few hundred yards, this is rarely respected and many private villas and houses have been built in flagrant defiance of the law fronting right on to the beach.

As far as bathing concessions are concerned the Ministerial decree states that deckchairs must not be placed nearer than five metres to the water's edge. But in many resorts the beach has been so eroded that the strip of sand may not be more than seven or eight metres wide and chairs take up the whole area.

Once the intending swimmer has won the battle of the beaches and gained access to the sea his troubles are only beginning. There remain the tar and oil which now pollute most of the Italian coastline, the litter thrown from the armada of small motor boats that buzz around the Mediterranenan coast in summer, and the threats to his health through bacterial pollution.

Bathing has had to be banned altogether in the city of Naples, where last year there was a cholera epidemic due to inadequate sewage disposal. Analysis of sea water has led to the closing of many beaches along the Adriatic and Tyrrhenian coasts at varying periods this year.

Beach pollution has led to a boom in small boats which enable swimmers to escape the worst of the visible and invisible flotsam along Italy's coasts. But the boats themselves cause further deterioration in the coastal environment, both through engine pollution and by the need for new harbour facilities. Property developers have been quick to seize on the opportunity for creating new small boat marinas—there are now over 150 in course of construction or being planned around Italy's coasts. Local authorities often turn a blind eye to building regulations in the hope of new sources of income and the result has been the disfigurement of some of Italy's most beautiful landscapes by concrete boxes catering for the new leisured classes who beat the battle of the beaches by taking to the sea.

Swedish building material made in Ashdod plant

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHDOD. — A new building material based on a Swedish patent is now being produced here by CBL Fibreglass Engineering Company.

One of the owners of CBL, Michael Lynn, told *The Jerusalem Post:* "The product is a type of panelling suited for either external or internal curtain wall construction, and for partitions." It is made of polyester, sand "and some other components which are part of the Swedish patent."

A new building has been erected next to the company's fibreglass fabricating plant, and a Swedish expert is now in the country to oversee the running-in operation. The smooth-textured, extremely hard material is available in thicknesses between seven and 10 centimetres, and in any running length. The standard width is 1.20 metres.

CBL's main product is below-ground swimming pools made of fibreglass. These come in sizes ranging from eight-by-four metres, up to 33⅓ by 16 metres. The most popular size is the 25-by-12½-metre pool, which has been sold to many kibbutzim, hotels and army bases. They cost between IL400,000 and IL500,000 depending on the amount of work involved in the installation.

(When CBL quotes a price for a pool it includes delivery to the site, ground preparation — including the excavation — installation of the filtration and water supply systems and landscaping the surrounding area. Large pools are delivered on semi-trailers, with police outriders in escort, and the 25-by-12½-metre pool can be ready for use three months after the order is received.)

Fibreglass caravans, fully insulated, are another big item at CBL, with the main buyers being the army and building contractors who use them for field offices. "Holiday villages" sprouting up all over the country are also lively purchasers of the caravans, which withstand the hot desert sun as well as freezing mountain snow.

TEL AVIV STOCKS

INDEX-LINKED BONDS UP

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Index-linked bonds rose slightly yesterday, but financial circles think that the rise is only temporary and that they will begin sliding again shortly, despite the fact that their yield has passed the five per cent net mark (linked).

The credit squeeze, the lack of money among investors, and the possibility that the index will not rise much on September 15 is credited with the future tendency to keep prices falling, if only slightly. Turnover in bonds was IL7,719,000.

The Natad dollar rose by three points to IL4.59. The demand was for $121,500. Some $114,000 was supplied.

Stocks fell, including the market leaders. The turnover in stocks was IL37,600. Of this, IL357,100 was in the variables.

Electricity lost 3.5 but then gained 1.5 to 37.5 (67,000); Bank Leumi lost 0.5 and one to 216.5 (36,000); ILDC Bearer lost five to 132.5 (14,0000); Delek Registered lost 1.5 to 122 (3,000); Ata "C" lost 0.5 and 2.5 to 102 (22,000); Chemicals lost two and 1.5 to 89 (13,000); Wolfson-Clore-Mayer lost one to 78.5 (3,000); Paz lost 2.5, but then gained two to 92 (47,000); and Paper Mills lost 8.5 but then recovered by 4.5 to 245 (14,000).

		5.9.74	4.9.74
DEBENTURES LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
5% Dead Sea Junior	r	220	218.5
6½ Electric Corp. A	r	133	132.5
6% Electric Corp. B	r	133.8	129.8
LINKED TO THE C.o.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Kitz 1966, Index 110.1	b	324.5	324.5
Bitahon 1963, Series 41	b	133	134
Bitahon 1969, Series 41	b	105	104.5
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otzar Hityashvut	r	192.5	192.5
I.D.B. pref.	r	269	269
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	176	176
Union Bank		375	276.5
Discount Bank "A"	r	400	400
United Mizrahi Bank	b	146	146
Bank Hapoalim—10%	b	272	272
Bank Leumi—"A"	r	216.5	218
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	233	239
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	155	153
Bank Binyan	b	261	261
Dev. & Mort. Bank	b	237	238
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	168	168
Tefahot 3%	b	309	310
Tefahot	b	204	197
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Inv. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	64.5	65
Hassneh Insurance	b	225	226
Sahar—"C"	b	219.5	315
Zur		195	195
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UILITIES			
Motor House	b	71.5	71.5
Delek C.	r	122	122.5
Cold Storage—IL10	r	151	151
Israel Electric Corp.	r	87.5	89.5
Lighterage & Supply	r	144.5	144.5
LAND BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITIES			
Azorim	r	157.5	161
Africa Isr. IL10	r	254	254
Isr. Land Dev.	b	132.5	137.5
Solel Boneh—10%	b	118.5	118.5
Property & Build.	r	221	222
Israel	b	129	128.5
Mehadrin	r	161	161
I.C.P. Isr. Citrus	b	88	88
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	172.5	172.5
Neot Aviv	r	80.5	81
Pri-Or Ltd.	r	140.5	140.5
Resico		—	—
Rassco—3%	r	80	80
Rassco—O.	r	59	60
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—½	r	500	500
Elco—2.5	b	86.5	88
Electra—5	r	171	171
Argaman—3%	b	340	340
Ata "C"	r	102	105
Dubek	b	412	412
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	158.5	160
Teva	b	1066	1046
Chem. & Phosphates	r	89	93.5
Lewin Epstein	b	57	56
Moller Text.	r	165	165
Phoenicia—3%	b	79.5	79.5
Paper Mills	r	245	249
Assis "B"	r	195	198
Nechushtan	b	485	485
Shemen—3%	b	114	114
Taal Plywood	b	203	203
Elite		273.5	273.5
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	79.5	79.5
Ellern	b	133.5	133.5
Israel Central Trade	r	134	134
Bank Hapoalim	b	228	227
Pax	b	92	92
Wolfson IL10	b	78.5	79.5
Amps	r	105.5	104.5
Discount Bank	b	148	151
United Mizrahi	b	110.5	112
Bank Leumi	r	174.5	175
Piryon Investment	r	108	108
		100	100
Export Bank	b	61	61
Clal Investment	r	208	212
Clal Industries	r	155	155
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	90	90
Lapidoth OTC	r	178	178

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Thursday's Rates

SPOT RATES

Dollar	2.3113/23	per £
DM	2.6690/6710	per $
Swiss Fr.	3.0210/35	per $
French Fr.	4.8160/90	per $
Lire	661.80/662.20	per $
Belgian Fr.	39.50/53	per $
Dutch Fl.	2.7180/200	per $
Yen	302.45/65	per $

Gold price: $157/158

FORWARD RATES

	1 Mo.	3 Mos.	6 Mos.
£/$	2.3111/121	2.2988/013	2.2883/603
DM/$	2.6505/540	2.6390/480	2.6170/230
Sw.Fr./$	3.0135/170	2.9985/020	2.9685/930

Brazilian landowners oppose reform

By JANE MONAHAN

LIMA, Peru. — If any region in Latin America needs land reform it must be the northeast of Brazil. Here, more than 29 million people — 30 per cent of all Brazilians — live in a state of misery comparable only to the impoverished people of India or Haiti.

Half-starved, housed in shacks, these people have almost no medical care and few schools. Per capita income is around $207 (about IL570) half that of Brazil as a whole and one-third of the figure for industrial Sao Paulo in the south.

In 1959 official recognition was at last given to the problems of the beleagured northeast. A project called Sudene was launched. Planned and directed by the competent economist Celso Furtado, financed by the civilian government of the time and by a $131 million grant from Washington, Sudene finally got under way in 1962.

Some infrastructure progress was made. Roads began to be built, sanitary conditions were improved and streams were dammed to extend irrigation. But when Furtado and his colleagues pressed for the most urgent need in the region — agrarian reform — opposition from the large landholders was fierce.

In no time the rumours prompted a *coup d'etat* led by Marshall Humberto Castello Branco. Furtado and his colleagues were deprived of their nationality.

With a taboo on any meaningful attempt to distribute wealth, Sudene's activities since 1964 have hardly begun to tackle the region's immense social and economic problems.

Most money has gone into capital intensive industries — which has not alleviated unemployment — or into building dams and power plants chiefly useful in enriching those already rich by increasing the value of their land.

Further, Sudene's budget has been cut over recent years. In 1967, 1.4 per cent of the federal budget went on Sudene. Last year the grant was down to 0.4 per cent.

This negligence reflects the Government's general approach to economic development. The emphasis on industrial growth and private enterprise over and above social reform means that, while the production of sugar and cocoa has been encouraged, none of the profits seeped down to the people on the land.

The continuation of a patriarchal system of farming ensures this. A cheap labour force is effectively guaranteed, since strikes are forbidden and alternative employment is scarce.

This cheap labour force means that much of the foreign exchange derived from the export of these primary products can be used to finance the ever-increasing foreign debts accrued by the rapid industrial expansion of Brazil's south. It is a system in which the workers of the northeast are the inevitable pawns.

For the moment, the strict political control rules out any effective organization by peasants. But many wonder how long the people in the northeast will go on enduring the appalling conditions in which most of them live. *(Gemini)*

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As in other years, a considerable increase is expected in this preholidays period in the number of international telephone calls.

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In this way, you will improve the access to the "12" service, for those who must use it — those who are not yet connected to the direct dialing network, and people who need services which can be given only by an operator.

The international telephone exchange already employs about 500 operators who dial calls for subscribers. The greatest difficulties are being encountered in recruiting additional manpower.

About 300,000 telephones in Israel are connected to the international direct dialing network:

IN JERUSALEM — all subscribers

IN TEL AVIV — subscribers whose numbers begin with —

20	4	74	84
230		75	85
237		76	86
238		78	87
239	5	79	88
24			89
28			
29			

IN HAIFA — subscribers whose number begin with — 2; 8; 57; 71; 73

It is now possible to dial direct to the following countries —

Country	International dialling code	Main Cities	City Code	Time Difference	Rate per Minute
Austrial	43	Vienna	222	—1 hr.	IL10.00
Italy	39	Rome	6	—1 hr.	IL10.00
U.S.A.	1	New York	212	—7 hr.	IL10.40
Belgium	32	Brussels	2	—1 hr.	IL10.00
U.K.	44	London	1	—2 hr.	IL10.00
W. Germany	49	Bonn	2221	—1 hr.	IL10.00
Denmark	45	Copenhagen	1	—1 hr.	IL10.80
Holland	31	Amsterdam	20	—1 hr.	IL10.00
Greece	30	Athens	21	—1 hr.	IL 6.50
Norway	47	Oslo	2	—1 hr.	IL11.40
Spain	34	Madrid	1	—1 hr.	IL10.00
France	33	Paris	1	—1 hr.	IL10.00
Canada	1	Montreal	514	—7 hr.	IL10.60
Sweden	46	Stockholm	8	—1 hr.	IL11.40
Switzerland	41	Zurich	1	—1 hr.	IL10.00

● Note: There is a weekend tariff, 25% cheaper, for weekend calls to the U.S.A. and Canada, available from midnight Friday till midnight Sunday.

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Enquiries Service "195." Enquiries regarding anything unusual that happens during international directly dialled calls can be made by dialling 195. This service operates from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday to Friday.

Dialling instructions and additional details can be found on page Kaf of the preface of the 1973 Jerusalem telephone directory, and page Yud-Tet et seq. of the preface of the 1974 Tel Aviv directory.

Subscribers should note the hours the service is operated, and the tariff details. The service is operated every weekday night at the full rate (except for the above-mentioned reduction at weekends for calls to the U.S.A. and Canada). There is no connection between the tariff for the international direct dialling service and the reduced night tariff for calls directly dialled between Israeli towns.

Defence Service Law 5719—1959

(CONSOLIDATED VERSION)

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All Israel citizens and permanent residents aged between 18 and 54 who are not members of the regular or reserve branches of the Israel Defence Forces will be called for registration and checking, in accordance with the Defence Service Law.

In the first stage, the process will be carried out by means of personal orders, which will be sent to the addresses of the people concerned.

Persons so called whose reasons for not serving with the regular or reserve branches of the Israel Defence Forces are medical, and persons who consider themselves unfit so to serve for medical reasons should bring with them medical certificates testifying to their state of health.

Persons so called should bring with them any army papers in their possession, and any other papers relevant to their status under the Defence Service Law, 5719-1959 (Consolidated Version).

This notice does not apply to:

a. A reservist who, within the last six months has not received a written call-up order or any other order from his unit, and has not reported to his unit or liaison office. Such a reservist must write to Army Post 2146/N in order to re-establish contact.

b. A person liable for Army service who has not yet been enlisted in the regular or reserve branch of the Israel Defence Forces, but who has already reported at a recruiting office and has received instructions to report for medical examinations, or induction, or covering deferment of his induction into the I.D.F. Such instructions are unaffected by this notice.

Such persons will report on the date appearing in the order in their possession.

September 1, 1974

(—) (signed)
YITZHAK ROSEN
Chief Recruiting Officer

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EL AL TEST CASE

TRAFFIC at Ben-Gurion airport is again proceeding more or less according to schedule, and negotiations with El Al's maintenance workers have started at long last, but there should be no illusion concerning the continuing conflict and its wider implications.

El Al's maintenance crews responded to the dramatic appeal by the Minister of Transport, and discontinued their go-slow strike. But the tension which accompanied this wildcat industrial action has not subsided. The maintenance men still insist on a change in work norms which would greatly increase the wage bill and create a precedent for other workers.

The company's work committees have published an open letter blaming the management for the current crisis, and demanding changes in its senior personnel. They seek to have the contempt of court charge against the maintenance workers' committee members dropped, in respect of the irresponsible "warning strike" last week, and demand that El Al withdraw its separate court action suing them for part of the loss caused by the strike.

In fact they are asking the government to disown El Al's management which throughout acted with the full backing of the authorities. It may be argued that a conciliatory gesture is desirable in order to cool the argument. But one should also keep in mind the effect it would have on labour relations and business performance elsewhere, quite apart from its doubtless damaging impact on El Al's own work morale.

El Al is not the only place where wildcat actions are carried out with impunity. Port pilots, sea captains, telegraph clerks, repairmen of electric generators, workers at various factories, are all resorting to various kinds of "sanctions," caring little about either the approval by their respective trade unions or the legal aspects involved. In several places — including government controlled companies — the management has already yielded to excessive demands, disguising the wage hikes as regrading and incentive pay. Their example is likely to be followed by others if the El Al men are successful.

El Al's maintenance workers may or may not have some legitimate grievances, but they should not be allowed to press their case by encouraging labour anarchy, or by forcing the company's management to practise featherbedding. Neither Mr. Meshel's threat that the Histadrut may withdraw its protection from workers who break discipline, nor the ministerial statement on possible changes in El Al's operations is expected to have very much influence.

Perhaps it should be admitted that contact was not close enough between the Histadrut and the 13 staff committees at El Al to ensure a uniform stand and responsible decisions. The Government should have made it clear in good time that it intends to keep El Al flying, despite action by a militant minority. A failure to come to grips fully with this burning issue could undermine the Government's credibility in a wide area of responsibility.

Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev meets with *The Jerusalem Post* staff and talks about price control, inflation, "fringe benefits" and military and political issues.

'Price control alone isn't the answer'

By Mordechai Erann
Jerusalem Post Reporter

PEOPLE OFTEN CONFUSE price controls with price stability—a rise in prices does not mean that price controls are inefficient, Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev said this week.

Mr. Bar-Lev told staff members at *The Jerusalem Post* he hoped that the new Consumer Council, which comes into office on October 1, will do more to educate the public and to evaluate and compare product qualities. At the same time, he pointed out, his Ministry last year took to court some 6,000 cases of overpricing.

The public must realize, Mr. Bar-Lev said, that even under price control, to which economists the world over are opposed, prices do rise. Since Israel must still employ price control — because inflation here is not only in production costs but also in the demand for commodities — approval of price rises are based on general rises in production costs, and even then not all of them are taken into account. This was the subject of disagreement recently with the Histadrut, which demanded that the cost-of-living allowance added in July not be considered a factor in price rises. The manufacturers insisted that the additional amount paid was an outright additional production cost. "I decided to approve 23 per cent of the increase as counting toward the price rise," Mr. Bar-Lev said.

"One of the problems which distort the price picture is the inclusion of various non-controlled commodities in calculating the consumer price index," Mr. Bar-Lev went on to say. The Ministry wants to reexamine the composition of items making up the index, to see if such things as entertainment (nightclubs, etc.) and photography should be included, but the Histadrut, for the time being, objects to any change.

Mr. Bar-Lev, who also holds the Development portfolio, was asked whether he intended to do anything about the fact that employees of the Israel Electric Corporation pay next to nothing for the electricity they use. (According to last month's Bureau of Statistics report, these workers earn the highest wages — an average of IL2,332 per month.) He conceded that not having to pay for it may well cause these workers to waste electricity, or at least use it more extensively, but said this was one of the job benefits electrical workers have been enjoying for many years, and it could not be changed now.

"Moreover," he added, "this is common practice in many fields. When I was Chief of Staff I permitted officers who had been assigned cars to use them privately as well — openly and above board. I plan to make no changes in such practices."

Mr. Bar-Lev said he thought the public, since the Yom Kippur War, has become too eager to criticize. True, he said, when he was C-o-S he permitted drivers assigned to officers to remain with the vehicles, even when the officer was away on duty, and to perform services for the officer's family. As a "job benefit" which would encourage good men to remain in the service, rather than force them to leave it, "this was not so terrible," he said, adding that the drivers always did this voluntarily.

At one time, in the confines of small borders and when these were relatively quiet, the regulations in the army did not permit this — but when he served as Chief of Staff the country was in an almost constant state of war, and he felt it was necessary to change the norms, since officers were often away for weeks at a time, and their wives could not bear the entire burden alone.

"During the years between the Six Day War and the Yom Kippur War, no one raised this as an issue — it came up only with the wave of criticism and search for failings in the wake of the last war," Mr. Bar-Lev said.

The Minister conceded that such benefits should be incorporated explicitly in the army's "norms," in order to avoid creating the feeling that officers are abusing their privileges. "But let us not throw out the baby with the bath-water," he said. "You, the public, must realize that it is in your interest to keep good men in the army, and that they would not stay if conditions were made worse than they already are."

Speaking of the Yom Kippur War, Mr. Bar-Lev said there was no point in talking any longer about who was to blame — "those who had to go have gone, including the Chief of Staff, and even the Defence Minister and the Premier."

The one element which made the difference, he said, was that of surprise, and only in the timing, not in the place or the methods. Strategically, this gave the Egyptians and Syrians an advantage which required improvisations on the part of the army, and it had indeed withstood the test well. "When we surprised the Egyptians in 1967, they were not able to improvise, and the fate of the war was decided in the first hour — that is why the job was done in less than four days," he said.

Israel's Intelligence has conducted an experiment, Mr. Bar-Lev related, in which they changed a picture of a dog to that of a cat in 20 stages, with a slight change at each stage. When people were shown the pictures, it was only at the 18th they noticed they were looking at a cat, not a dog. Essentially, that is what happened with the evaluations of intelligence reports concerning the enemy troop movements and manoeuvres — it was at too late a stage that it became clear a war rather than exercises were involved.

The concept behind the defence arrangement known as the "Bar-Lev Line" was never put to the test in the last war, Mr. Bar-Lev pointed out. A long process of deterioration which began soon after the "War of Attrition" ended in 1971, resulted in a lack of adherence to any plan — only half the fortified positions along the Suez Canal were manned, by only half the number of men called for in each, and these were older reservists rather than prime fighting units. Yet they held out, without the tank support they should have had, in the face of the first wave of assault, and some even held out to the end. Basically, the same concept is being applied, even today, along the northern fronts, where strongholds are combined with mobile forces and observation posts. There, except for the Hermon position — also taken because of surprise — none of the strongholds fell.

Should Israel change its policy toward the Arabs now, in view of all that has happened? The previous Governments, just as this one, have always tried to arrive at a political solution. Now that the Arabs have shown some signs of being ready to make compromises, these efforts should be pursued to a maximum, Mr. Bar-Lev emphasized. The Arabs may now be saying "not an inch," they may make threats of war and try to exert other pressures, but one must recall that when talks began at km. 101, "they insisted we withdraw to the El-Arish — Ras Mohammed line. We can expect to have difficulties along the way, but if there is a chance for a political settlement we do not want to miss it."

Haim Bar-Lev

POSTSCRIPTS

UNLIKE CITIZENS of other countries, who according to a recent report have begun to find opinion polls both a bore and a nuisance, Israelis apparently like them. Raphael Gill, who expressed this opinion this week, should know, since he is the boss of Public Opinion Research of Israel.

Perhaps being stopped in the street and questioned or having to open your door with floury hands just as you are preparing your Shabbat cake is still a novelty to Israelis. Or perhaps, being the most opinionated people on earth, and the original kibbitzers they just love saying what they think about everyone and everything.

Whatever the reason, Mr. Gill told the press conference called to announce the formation of the Association of Israeli Institutes for Applied Social Research — to be the roof organization for all the country's public opinion research institutions — that 84 per cent of the 1,200 families interviewed responded positively. Of these, half felt that opinion polls are vital in order to know what's going on. Fourteen per cent believe that our political leaders study the poll results and partly base their decision-making on them. Three per cent feel that opinion polls are an integral feature of the democratic way of life. Seven per cent were honest enough to say that they enjoy the experience of being asked for their opinion, but eight per cent thought the polls, results should not be published.

Three per cent replied to the latter question in the traditional and Jewish — way, with question: "Why not?"

THE SHAH OF IRAN first person to point out is too expensive a comm burn. It now appears that been "eating" it for some not the hideous cod liver oil stuffed down the throat of a generation ago, but the gushes at the bottom of den (if you're lucky).

Oil and oil-related pro being increasingly used in duction of synthetic or protein used as animal fee not until the mid-1960's t mercial methods of produ thetic protein were devel their continuing develop now been made more urge escalating price of the natural animal feedstuffs soyabeans and fishmeal derived from anchovies, t of which off the cost of declined owing to climatic

In Britain, Marks and S firm which needs no intro Israelis) is marketing poul on single-cell protein de a British Petroleum plant land. Imperial Chemicals ing on a similar operat natural gas, which is a enormous quantities. Now ers are looking into way oil-based proteins directly food, according to Worl Services.

Personally speaking, thing gives me indigestion ing about it.

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READERS' LETTERS

'The brain-eaters'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was appalled by the article "Unjust punishment" (August 28), in particular by the fact that Mrs. Lankin calls the girl student who informed the authorities "a sanctimonious prig" and is surprised that no one had any criticism against her. In the judgement of Mrs. Lankin, the elimination for two years of the "brain-eaters" is "unjust," but she implies that the girl is not fit for the medical profession because she "betrayed" her colleagues. If taken seriously the article advocates hushing up every offence, public or private, known by citizens in the name of a perverted code which, according to Mrs. Lankin, dictates that one should not "betray" one's colleagues and friends.

DAN SEIFF, Headmaster,
Massad High School

Jerusalem, August 29.

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Sir, — I'd like to express my unqualified admiration and support for Doris Lankin's article about the "brain case."

It would be difficult for me to decide who behaved in the most disgusting way: the little *yente*, the colleagues of the students, or the university authorities.

To be honest with you, I think the little *yente* needs the stiffest kick in the pants first, and maybe someone should give her a little talk about something called loyalty to one's colleagues. I think you'll agree with me that no profession is more in need of sticking together than the worthy descendants of Hippocrates. I don't know of any doctor who did not have to "bury his mistake" at one time or other.

ERWIN FUCHS

Ramat Efal, August 28.

(The Police have since ruled that there are no grounds to suspect that any offence was in fact committed, and closed the file against the five students. Ed. *J.P.*)

Women in the Army

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I notice from press reports that the Army is scraping the bottom of the (male) barrel in an attempt to mobilize more personnel for active duty.

Women's military service is limited to traditional women's jobs in the armed services. If we have now sunk to conscripting flat-footed grandfathers, perhaps the Army will now be ready to take a new look at women and their capabilities and let young women volunteer for active service alongside their brothers.

Our aim should be to create a fully integrated citizens' army with men and women serving in the same units, doing the same jobs, and for the same period of military service.

SHEILA PRAG

Herzliya, September 1.

How clean is clean?

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — "Tel Aviv is cleaner after month-long drive" according to your issue of August 27.

Sorry. Just an hour's drive through the fair streets of Tel Aviv will show *it definitely is not!*

You don't have to go far to look. Take a gander at Yehuda Halevy. Or Herzl. You name it, the garbage has it!

P. M. SOLOMON

Tel Aviv, August 30.

SUCCESS IN ANTI-POLLUTION DRIVE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — On behalf of many citizens of Beersheva, we would like to thank the Makhteshim Chemical Works for their efforts to clean up the air pollution that stemmed from their fungicide production process.

Criticism was in its place when the air was foul, and acknowledgement and thanks for the recent positive steps are in place now.

A. WITZTUM
D. IMBER

Beersheba, August 30.

Bad building policy

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The idea of temporarily abandoning large expensive building projects for the sake of diverting resources to cheaper domestic housing is of dubious economic advantage. Who pays for the capital so far invested, the loss of interest on this capital, the disruption of labour, etc.? Inevitably, when the neglected project is eventually completed, it well be at a cost of 40 to 50 per cent more than was originally intended.

The only way to control or restrain the building of luxury apartments or other grandiose ventures is to prevent the plans being passed right from the start. Once you grant the permit, the best thing is to go ahead and finish the project as soon as possible.

N. J. MENDELSOHN

Haifa, August 25.

DANGEROUS DRUG

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The head of the Hadassah Haematology Department, Professor Gavriel Izak, states that Israelis are using too much Synthomycetin — a drug which causes an often fatal bone-marrow disease called aplasia (August 28). This drug was actually taken off the market briefly in the U.S. about 16 years ago and was only re-introduced when the manufacturer agreed to include warnings about the obvious danger. It never did re-acquire its previous popularity and the company's $40m. factory was left to go to seed.

Why is this dangerous drug still being casually used in Israel?

ROBERT GREENGARD

Holon, August 28.

Portion of the week: Tavo (Deuteronomy 26-29:8)

Explaining Biblical texts

"HE WHO TRANSLATES and explains a Biblical verse literally is a plain liar," the Talmud declares (Kiddushin 49a). Though the author of this statement, Rabbi Yehuda, immediately adds: "And he who takes too many liberties with the text is a blasphemer."

In this week's *Sidra* (Tora reading) we read: "God will open for you the heavens. His treasure house, *to give you rain.*" The Rabbis of the Talmud use this verse as an occasion to tell us the following story (Midrash Devarim Rabba VII:7):

A Roman pagan asked Rabbi Yohanan ben Zaccai: "We have festivals and you have festivals: we have the Calends, the Saturnalia, and the Kartisis, and you have Passover, Pentecost, and Tabernacles. Isn't there one day on which we rejoice together?" Rabbi Yohanan Ben Zaccai replied: "The day on which a good rain falls."

The Sidra gives us the famous Blessings and Warnings, telling us how it will be with the Jews if we obey God's commandments and how it will be if we disobey. This is an occasion for the Rabbis to tell us the following story (Midrash Tanhuma Tavo II):

When the Roman Emperor Hadrian banned the study and observance of Tora on pain of death, Rabbi Akiva (who was the spiritual-ideological leader of the Bar-Kochba Revolt) and his group defied the ban. Pappus ben Yehuda came to Rabbi Akiva and said to him: "You are taking your life in your hands defying the Imperial 'ban.'" Rabbi Akiva replied with the following parable:

Once a fox was walking by the riverside and saw the fishes scurrying to hide. He said to them: "Come along with me, and I will hide you in the crevices in the rocks, and you will have no need to be afraid." The fishes replied: 'And they say you're the cleverest of all the animals! Why, you're a plain fool! Water is the only element in which we can live, and you tell us to come up on dry land. If we're afraid in our life-element, how much more reason will we have to be afraid out of the water!"

And Rabbi Akiva concluded: "The Jewish people's life-element is Tora."

Shortly afterwards Rabbi Akiva and Pappus were both arrested by the Romans, and Pappus said to Rabbi Akiva: "How fortunate you are to know that you have been arrested for the sake of Tora. But woe to Pappus who has been arrested for some vain, wordly nonsense."

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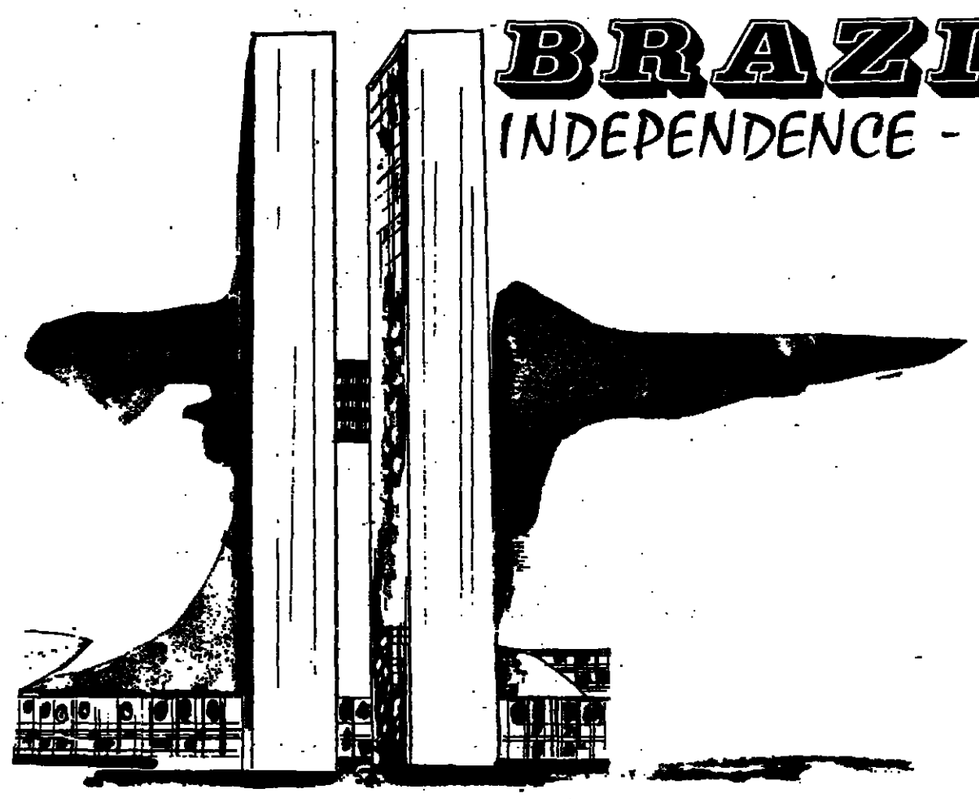

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